

The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



May 5, 2019

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

Calendar

Fri	May 3	Wine Event 6:30 pm (also Fri, Nov 1)
Sun	May 5	Easter 3 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Tue	May 7	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	May 12	Easter 4 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Mon	May 13	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm SEOL: End of Life Planning 5:30 pm
Sun	May 19	Easter 5 Holy Eucharist 11 am Abrahamic Dinner at Cullowhee Baptist 7:30 pm
Tue	May 21	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	May 26	Easter 6 Holy Eucharist 11 am Soup Supper 5-7 pm
Sun	Jun 2	Easter 7 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Tue	Jun 4	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Jun 9	Pentecost Holy Eucharist 11 am
Sun	Jun 16	Trinity Sunday Holy Eucharist 11 am
Sun	Jun 23	Pentecost 2 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Sun	Jun 30	Pentecost 3 Holy Eucharist 11 am

Childcare is available during the service most Sundays.

Serving this Sunday

Chalice: George Rector
Reader: June Smith
Music: Savannah Bennett
Coffee: Muff Lyons
Readings: [Acts 9:1-6, \(7-20\)](#),
[Revelation 5:11-14](#),
[John 21:1-19](#), [Psalm 30](#)

Serving during May

Flowers: Rosa Reily
(May 6 Judy Robinson)
Linen: Gerlinde Lindy
Communion: Muff Lyons &
Laurie Hulbert
Bread: Wesley Satterwhite
Greeters: Melba & Paul Cooper

[Sermon Link](#)

May Outreach

This month the 1st Sunday Loose Offering will go where the greatest perceived need is among the organizations St. David's supports: Circles of Hope, Clean Slate, Community Table, Mainspring Land Trust, Vecinos and Midwives of Haiti. There is no Soup & Bread Community Supper this month.

You Are Invited

to



Friday, May 3

6:30 pm

at

St. David's
Episcopal Church

385 Forest Hills Road
Cullowhee, NC 28723

St. David's Website

By The Rev. Valori Mulvey Sherer

The St. David's website is being continually updated with information about current events as well as archival materials. There have been a few changes I would like to bring to your attention:

- The password protection issue has been resolved—finally! Thank you for your patience as we worked to discover the nature of the problem of the sign-in issue. You should be able to sign in now as before and access all pages protected for member use only. If you haven't signed in on the new website, you'll need to register again. Permission will be requested and Kendra will respond. If you have any further trouble, please email [Kendra](#) or [me](#) and we'll walk through it with you to ensure your easy access.
- The [Welcome](#) (home) page now has the next upcoming event on the right side of the page. To download the flyer, simply click on the picture. It is linked to a .pdf you can view, print, or email to friends.
- At the bottom of the Welcome page you will see two LGBTQIA symbols: one is the now universally known "Safe Zone" symbol, and the other is the (approved) Episcopal Church banner set on the LGBTQ flag.
- Emergency or urgent notices are also posted on this page as they arise.
- When there are worship services, e.g. Taizé, the date and time of these will be included in the blue field at the top under our Sunday service schedule time.
- A new page has been added: [Upcoming Events](#). On this page you will find the flyers for these events. Dates, times, locations in easy-to-read/find format. To download the flyer, simply click on the picture of it. A .pdf is linked to it that you can download to print and share with friends.
- The [Calendar](#) page now has the liturgical dates listed, e.g., "3 Easter" on May 5. If you click on the liturgical date you will find the ministers serving that date (when we have that information): chalice, lectors, torchbearers, greeters, organist, coffee hour hosts, communion bread providers, lectionary, and the liturgical color for that date. We invite the ministry leadership to provide us your schedules to keep this up-to-date. If someone can't remember the date they signed up to serve, it's on the calendar! There is also a link to the online Lectionary Page under the readings listed for that Sunday.
- If you click on any event posted on our online calendar, e.g., the SEOL community workshop on May 13: Planning for End of Life, you will find information about that event: date, time, location (with a maps link), and description.
- The [Ministries](#) page has been updated to include links to our current rotation of agencies supported by Outreach. This is the same list as found on our Sunday bulletins. This page will be updated further once our Task Force customaries are complete (almost there!)
- The [Contact Us—Staff](#) introduces the staff and leadership of the church to those visiting our website. It also has email links to the church office (Kendra), Interim Rector (me), Newsletter Editor (Maggie), and our bishop/chief pastor. We hope to get more pics up there along with the names. The vestry picture from our recent retreat is on that page.
- The [Vestry page](#), which is password protected, will house the minutes and financial reports once they have been approved by vestry. We are currently working to get this page up to date. This should be completed by next week.
- The [Gallery](#) page is a priority for updating. I've been able, with Maggie's help, to access lots of pics of life at St. David's. If you have some you'd like to share, we're going to begin uploading those soon. This page is a wonderful evangelical tool—the friendship and love at St. David's are easily seen in the pics we have.
- The [Archives](#) page currently has only the Annual Reports we have on hand as sub-pages. Other archival information will be updated continually by Kendra as time allows.

The St. David's website is a living document, reflecting the ongoing life of the parish. Having updated information on it will be encouraging to visitors—especially students who live online. Thank you to Paul Yanik, Maggie Bowles, and Kendra Graham for their help getting our website into this new, living form. If anyone would like to have as their ministry the administration of the website, that would be most welcome. Just [email me](#) and we'll get you started!

Blessings and thanks,

Valeri+

May 11th starting at 9 am is a **Rise Against Hunger** event at Sylva United Methodist Church.



Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aide to the world's most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to end hunger by 2030. It was started as Stop Hunger Now in 1998 by a United Methodist minister.

We'll be trying to pack 10,000 meals which, if we have 30 to 40 volunteers, should take about two hours. More on Rise Against Hunger <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org> The Sylva Rotary Club, along with Rotary Clubs from Highlands and Haywood County and several church groups, will be participating. It is open to volunteers age 5 and up.

In keeping with our commitment to the Stewardship of the Entirety of our Lives, we gladly offer

A FREE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

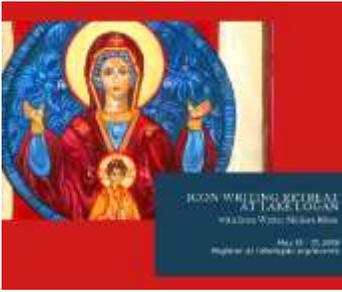
Planning for End of Life

This free workshop is presented led by Diane Sherrill a Sylva attorney with a practice concentration on estate and planned giving strategies.

Topics of her presentation will include estate and trust planning issues along with planned giving and end of life issues and strategies

MONDAY, MAY 13
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
The Gathering Place
at St. David's Episcopal Church
385 Forest Hill Rd., Cullowhee

For more information: 828.331.1427
or www.stdavidsculowhee@gmail.com



**Icon Writing Retreat at Lake Logan
May 13th-17th**

Day and overnight options are available. Beginners are welcome. All supplies are included. Register at lakelogan.org/events. Registration deadline is May 1st.



Financial Snapshot as of March 31st, 2019

Submitted by Steve Steinbrueck, Treasurer

This is the first of planned monthly snapshots of our income and expenses. They will normally be published in the middle of the month.

It is important to know that St. David's operates on a cash basis. This means that income is reported when received (not when expected or promised) and expenses are reported when actually paid. This snapshot includes income of approximately \$7500 of 2018 pledge "catch-ups" and \$10,000 of 2019 pledge "pre-payments."

	Budgeted to date	Actual to date
Total Revenues	\$28,635.00	\$39,092.51
Pledges	25,322.49	36,607.31
Total Expenses	28,606.98	29,224.83
Total Revenues (-) Expenses		\$9,867.68

Detailed financial reports are available to all members, so please be in touch if you have questions.

**A Campus Minister
From the Vestry**

Last Fall, our Interim Rector, Valori, June Smith, Betsy Swift and Judy Robinson attended the Diocesan Convention at Kanuga. There we learned that both UNCA and Appalachian State have a Campus Minister in place through the Diocese, a position which is separate from the Rectors of their local Episcopal Churches. During Vestry meetings with Canon Augusta regarding our Rector Search, it became apparent that this is a good option for St. David's. The traditional campus ministry, conducted by a Rector, can only allow ten hours a week for campus work even if the Rector is full time. It would be impossible for a ¾-time Rector to meet the needs of the parish and devote time to campus ministry. We learned that a Campus Minister would be employed by the Diocese for 20 hours a week (the time deemed necessary for a job well done). A Campus Minister is supervised by the Bishop, the Canon, and the diocesan Youth Minister. However, that person would be expected to work closely with St. David's rector, as our church would be considered the "home base" of the ministry. Your Vestry has asked the Canon and Bishop to proceed with a search to fill a Campus Ministry position for us and WCU. They will be looking for a mature young adult, who is grounded in the Episcopal faith and has some experience in service (such as work in the Peace Corps or Americorps), as well as the skills of engagement and good communication. Though the Campus Minister will be a Diocesan employee, our parish will be involved in interviews as the filling of this position moves forward. We will let you know as steps in this process unfold, and are excited by the possibilities it opens for connecting with WCU students and their community.

Discernment Committee Members

Harry Brown, Chairman
Vance Davidson, Vestry Liaison
Marilyn Jody
George Rector

Margot Wilcox
Maggie Bowles

Vestry Members

Senior Warden, Judy Robinson
Junior Warden, Muff Lyons
Sandy Frazier
Vance Davidson
Steve Steinbrueck, Treasurer, ex-officio to the vestry

Gael Graham
Jake Jacobson

Volunteers Needed to Help at Cold Mountain Music Festival!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click [this link](http://signup.com/login/entry537004970106124083) to go to the invitation page: <http://signup.com/login/entry537004970106124083>
2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on [SignUp.com](http://Signup.com))
3. Sign up! Choose your spots—[SignUp.com](http://Signup.com) will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

A shift is 4 hours (with some exceptions). You get a free admission ticket for volunteering plus a t-shirt. If you want free admission both days, you need to volunteer both days.



Sharon Taylor represented Mainspring Conservation Trust at the April Soup Supper.



Parish News & Notes

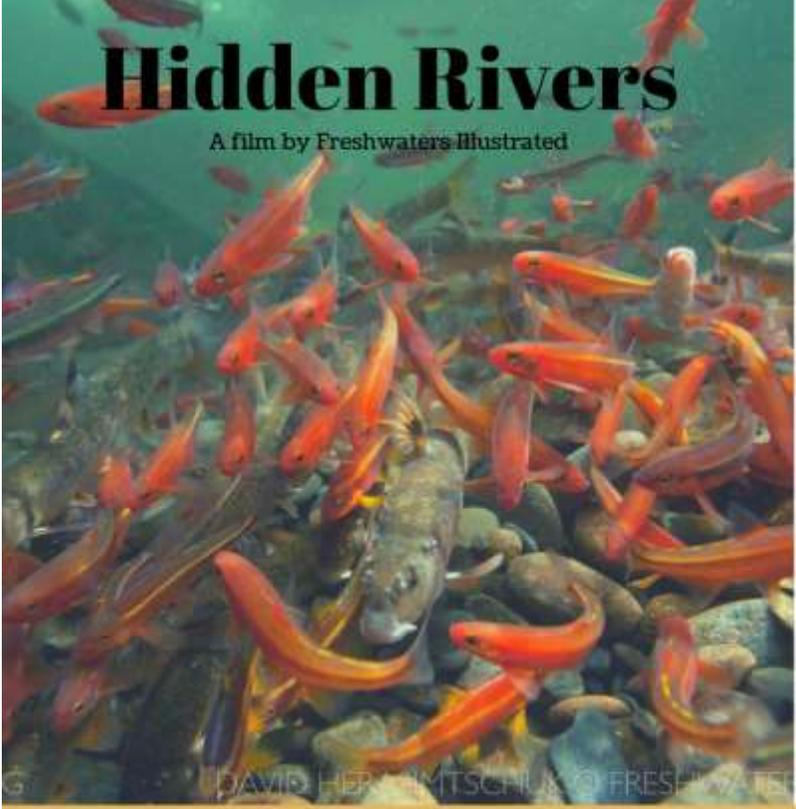
Birthdays

May 8

Karen Brown

May 9

Tom Wilcox, Maggie Bowles



Hidden Rivers
A film by Freshwaters Illustrated

DAVID HERGENROTTSCHUL © FRESHWATERS ILLUSTRATED

Celebrating the diversity of life found in our local rivers and streams
Presented by Mainspring Conservation Trust

May 3, 2019 | 6:30 PM
Mad Batter | downtown Sylva

Travel Sketch Class - Nature

May 4th 10-12:30 (Sat) Haywood County Arts Gallery

All levels-limited space of 10

Questions and Sign-up by calling: Haidee Wilson- 828-506-5625 or email

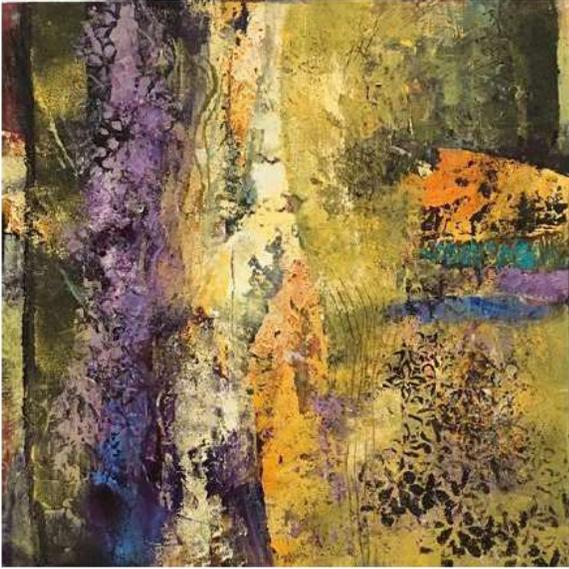
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[2019-Summer-Arts-Workshops](#)

[See More](#)



[2019 Summer Arts Workshop Series](#)

[Held at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, NC](#)

“Step Into Cold Wax Medium with Oil Painting” with Melba Cooper

JULY 1 – 3, 2019

Medium: Cold wax, oil painting

Level: All Levels

Tuition: \$400 | **Lab Fee:** \$50

This three day workshop is for those who would like step into a basic understanding of the medium of cold wax/oil painting. With helpful demonstrations and exercises, students will learn techniques for applying this versatile medium to create rich luminous textures and patterns, explore intuitive connections in abstract painting, gain strategies for strengthening their compositions. Students will create multiple small works (under 8"x8") on both paper and wood panels. Most Supplies will be provided. [See More...](#)

Melba Cooper has been an art educator and professional artist for over 35 years. Utilizing a research journal/sketchbook, she incorporates an arts integrated approach to her works inspired by environmental issues. She believes that art is a powerful tool to bring people into meaningful conversation. She has a MAT from the University of South Carolina specializing in gifted art education. Both a painter and a printmaker, she combines techniques from each to create her recent cold/wax series of works entitled “Pollination”. The series content is focused on the energy of the honeybee hive in which she imagines and longs for the hum of a sacred regard for the Earth. This exhibit has been featured in the gallery at Island Lavender, Washington Island WI. She has been the visiting artist at Island Lavender for the summers of 2016 and 2017. Other venues for this series have been The Circular Church in Charleston (spirituality and art exhibit), Charles Street Gallery in Beaufort SC., Haywood Arts Council Gallery, and Jackson County Library. Her work is in the homes of collectors in SC, NC, NY, OH, GA. WI. [See More...](#)



To Register: [Click](#) | 828.342.6913 | E contact@cullowheemountainarts.org

Cullowhee Arts Admin Office: 598 W. Main Street, Sylva, NC 29779

Meditation Opportunities at St. David's

Accessible Mindfulness: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 10-11:15 am. This is especially geared for those new to mindfulness meditation.

Other Meditation Opportunities

WCU Mindfulness and Meditation: Thursdays at 4 pm 224 Bird Building. For details, call 227-7469 and ask for Michelle. To view a flyer, [please click here](#).

Mindfulness Meditation: 9:15 am on Thursdays at Sylva Yoga above Lulu's on Main Street in downtown Sylva. Meditation gives students the opportunity to focus on the deep interconnection between mind and body, which can be experienced directly by practice in mindfulness.

Virtual Closet

If you need medical-related equipment or have something you can offer, contact Claire Marsh: clairemrsh@gmail.com She keeps a list of who has what to facilitate sharing.

Box Tops for Education

There is a basket under the white board in the Parish Hall where you can place any of these box tops you may have. This is an ongoing project for our children.

Regular Activities

2nd Sundays
3rd Sundays 5:30 pm
Last Sundays 5-7 pm Sept-Apr
Mondays 10:30 am
2nd Mondays
1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Rice & Beans Ministry
Taizé Service 5:30 pm
Soup/Bread Community Supper
Cullowhee Men's Group 10:30 am
Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Accessible Mindfulness 10 am

2019 Outreach Support

From 1st Sunday's loose plate offering and Soup Suppers

Jan	Circles of Hope	Aug	School Supplies drive
Feb	Clean Slate	Sep	Vecinos
Mar	Community Table	Oct	Midwives of Haiti
Apr	Mainspring Land Trust	Nov	to be determined
May	(general)	Dec	(general)
May-Jun-Jul-Aug-no Soup Suppers (general outreach)			

St. David's Links and Contact Information:

Website: stdavidscullowhee.org

[Lectionary Page 2019](#)

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Diocesan Links:

[Diocese of Western North Carolina](#)

The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop

[Sign up for Diocesan Newsletter](#)

[Camp Henry Facebook page](#)

www.lakelogan.org

St. David's Vestry Members:

Judy Robinson, Senior Warden
Muff Lyons, Junior Warden
Sandy Frazier—Gael Graham
Vance Davidson—Jake Jacobson

Vestry Stewardship Covenant 2018

St. David's Episcopal Church

We believe that our community is called upon to fully trust in God's promise to provide. Sometimes, however, we are fearful that it won't happen due to our lack of trust, our fear, and our need to control.

We commit to remember who we are in God and for the world, near and far: beloved servants. We commit to make financial decisions remembering that God provides for us, sometimes in surprising ways, by keeping the Gospel promise of abundance as our guide and touchstone, and by constantly evaluating this new way of thinking.

We invite everyone to join the vestry in reflecting on the grace and good luck that pervade our lives which leads us to a natural and comfortable means of sharing the abundance with which we have been blessed.