

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



October 20, 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

Sat	Oct 19	Yoga Retreat- <i>Life is Hard: Find the Joy</i> 9 am-noon
Sun	Oct 20	Creation 7: Proper 24, Book Study <i>The Universal Christ</i> after church
Sun	Oct 27	Creation 8: Proper 25, Book Study <i>The Universal Christ</i> after church, Soup Supper 5 pm
Fri	Nov 1	Fruit of the Vine Wine Event 6:30 pm
Sun	Nov 3	All Saints Sunday, Gathering In
Thu	Nov 7	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Fri-Sat	Nov 8-9	Diocesan Convention, Trinity Asheville
Sun	Nov 10	Pentecost 22, Holy Eucharist 11 am
Mon	Nov 11	Vestry meeting 5:30 pm
Sun	Nov 17	Pentecost 23, Holy Eucharist 11 am
Thu	Nov 21	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Nov 24	Pentecost 24, Holy Eucharist 10 am

[Sermon Link](#)

## Serving this Sunday

Chalice:

Reader: Paul Cooper

Music: Savannah Bennett

Coffee: Stone Soup\*

Readings: Jeremiah 31:27-34;

Psalms 119:97-104; 2 Timothy

3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

## Serving during October

Flowers: Judy Annis

Linen: Faye Jacobson

Communion: Judy Annis &

Faye Jacobson

Bread: Doug & Mary Michael

Hanks

Greeter: Steve Steinbrueck

We welcome the Rev. Nick McDonald as supply priest again this Sunday.

Our Interim Rector, Valori+, will be out of the office until Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. In case of an emergency, please contact Sr. Warden Judy Robinson and she can reach the Interim Rector.

[judyleroyrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:judyleroyrobinson@gmail.com)

or 828 713 2293

## Life is Hard:

## Find the Joy

A yoga retreat with Chad Hallyburton and Jane Coburn

October 19<sup>th</sup>

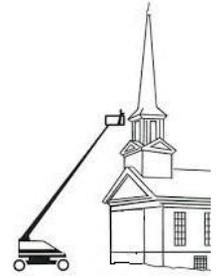
9 am-noon

The Gathering Place



## From the Vestry Roof Repair

The total cost of roof repair and cross replacement will be \$47, 550. We have applied for two separate grants through the Diocese to help us with these costs. Your Sr. Warden and Interim Rector presented to the Foundation grant committee on this Tuesday, and we should know of any grant amount from them by the end of the week. In any case, our parish is expected to make a partial contribution for this cost, so we are asking that any of you who are able and wish to make a one-time contribution to the Roof Repair please do so this week. With many thanks in advance for your generosity.



### St. David's Vestry

Senior Warden, Judy Robinson

Sandy Frazier

Vance Davidson

Steve Steinbrueck, Treasurer, is ex-officio to the vestry.

Junior Warden, Muff Lyons

Gael Graham

Jake Jacobson

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## St. David's Gathering-In

By Gael Graham

In the church I grew up in, every year before Thanksgiving we sang a hymn with the words: "Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home; All is safely gathered in; 'Ere the winter storms begin." In today's world, few of us celebrate the literal harvest of food, but we continue to be thankful for many of the blessings of this life and the richness of our lives in Christ.



This year, the St. David's community will host a "Gathering In" of all of our members, former members, and any interested persons on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, in our Gathering Place following the worship service. We will celebrate the new life God is forming within us and the completion of our pledge season; roll out new name tags thoughtfully created by Sandy Railsback; feast on foods lovingly organized by Faye Jacobson and prepared by many parishioners, and enjoy the company of old friends and new. Please come with your families and invite others.

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## Documents Submitted

The Parish Profile and the OTM (Office of Transition Ministry) document have been sent to the Diocese for their approval and use in the next phase of the rector search process.



### Discernment Committee Meeting Prayers for October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Almighty God, we pray that our love for You would glow as a flame in our hearts, warming and awakening our souls to the promise of finding Your holy presence in all that we encounter; that our desire to understand the mysteries of Your ways will open our eyes so that we may discern the path You have prepared for us. We reach for Your love in gratitude at moments of joy; during times of trial we find ourselves enfolded by Your sheltering presence. The perfection of Your love accompanies us at every step of our journey. In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Oh, God our Creator, we pray to know You more fully as we walk in the way, longing to serve You and to reach a more perfect understanding of Your ways. Let us always see Your light so that we may keep to the path of righteousness and never wander away into the darkness of this world's night. May we always remember that You are the way, the truth, and the life, shining within each of us. This we pray in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Adapted from the Mozarabic Liturgy

[Discernment Committee Prayer Collection by George Rector](#)



"Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home;  
All is safely gathered in; 'Ere the winter storms begin."

**CELEBRATE AND FEAST WITH US**  
at the first ever

**ST. DAVID'S GATHERING-IN DAY!**

**SUNDAY, NOV 3, 2019**

after the 11:00 service

**in The Gathering Place at St. David's**

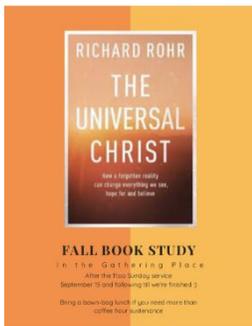
**385 Forest Hills Rd., Cullowhee, NC**

(across from the Ramsey Center at WCU)

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Enjoy the company of friends, old and new.

**Book Study**  
**The**  
**Universal Christ**  
**by Richard Rohr**



Hosted by the Brown's, pictured are Lillian Pearson, Karen & Harry Brown, Haidee's friend Craig Hunt, Melba & Paul Cooper and Haidee Wilson.

## You Are Invited

to

# FRUIT of the INE

A wine education & tasting event

Friday, November 1

6:30 pm

at

St. David's  
Episcopal Church

385 Forest Hills Road  
Cullowhee, NC 28723

*"You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use,  
to bring forth food from the earth, and wine to gladden the human heart..."*  
(Psalm 104: 14-15)

Our favorite sommelier, Sonia Hooper, will lead our gathering once again this year.

Participants will have opportunity to taste each variety offered, learn of its origins, history, and suggested food pairings – Sonia's expertise! – and its impact on the modern environment/economy, then purchase the samples of their choice.

Deliveries will be made to St. David's Church within approximately 7 - 10 days. Purchasers will be notified of pick-up times.



Light refreshments provided. Please enjoy dinner before you arrive.  
Free, safe transportation home provided for any who may need it.

*"May God give you of the dew of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth,  
and plenty of grain and wine."*  
(Gen 27:28)

## Support Farmworkers in WNC



**VECINOS**  
FARMWORKER HEALTH PROGRAM

Vecinos aims to show appreciation for the important work that farmworkers do. Due to many barriers farmworkers often lack access to even the most basic necessities.

We are asking for the support of local churches, organizations, and classes to help us collect and prepare toiletry bags for the people who plant and harvest our food. These bags will be given directly to farmworkers throughout the season.

Can your church or group  
commit to giving us  
100 bags?

### Items Needed in Each Bag:

- 1 Bar of soap
- 2 Pairs of socks
- 1 Toothpaste tube
- 1 Floss
- 1 Athlete's Foot Cream tube
- 2-3 Pain Relieving Patches
- 1 Box of Band-aids
- 2 Toothbrushes

Contact Jessica Rodriguez with questions: 828-399-0583  
or [jrodriguez@vecinosinc.org](mailto:jrodriguez@vecinosinc.org)

## Parish News & Notes

### Birthdays

- Oct 22 Paul Cooper
- Oct 25 Chad Hallyburton
- Oct 26 Jake Jacobson, Linda Kinnear  
Julia Simmons

### Anniversary

- Oct 23 Tommy & Ann Suggs



### Henry Hanks is a Runner

This is Henry's first year to run cross country, and he is running for Smoky Mountain High School. At the Robbinsville meet last Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, he ran a personal best time, finishing the 5 kilometer race in 18:49. He came in 19<sup>th</sup> out of 73 total runners, 2<sup>nd</sup> on his Smoky Mountain team and was the 1<sup>st</sup> freshman to cross the line!

Yes, that is June Smith atop that camel. She stopped over in Qatar on her way to Nepal and Tibet just to ride a camel.



### Organist is Honored

Our student organist, Savannah Bennet has been accepted to present at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual SoCon Undergraduate Research Forum to be held on the Wofford College campus in Spartanburg, SC on November 2-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. She will be presenting her paper *La princesse jaune and Samson et Dalila: Orientalism in the Operas of Camille Saint-Saëns*.

## \*The Stone Soup Story

Wikipedia

Some travelers come to a village, carrying nothing more than an empty cooking pot. Upon their arrival, the villagers are unwilling to share any of their food stores with the hungry travelers. Then the travelers go to a stream and fill the pot with water, drop a large stone in it, and place it over a fire. One of the villagers becomes curious and asks what they are doing. The travelers answer that they are making "stone soup", which tastes wonderful and which they would be delighted to share with the villager, although it still needs a little bit of garnish, which they are missing, to improve the flavor.

The villager, who anticipates enjoying a share of the soup, does not mind parting with a few carrots, so these are added to the soup. Another villager walks by, inquiring about the pot, and the travelers again mention their stone soup which has not yet reached its full potential. The villager hands them a little bit of seasoning. More and more villagers walk by, each adding another ingredient. Finally, the stone (being inedible) is removed from the pot, and a delicious and nourishing pot of soup is enjoyed by travelers and villagers alike. Although the travelers have thus tricked the villagers into sharing their food with them, they have successfully transformed it into a tasty meal which they share with the donors.

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### Virtual Closet

If you need medical-related equipment or have something you can offer, contact [Nancie Wilson](#). 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.

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### 2019 Outreach Support

From 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 Conservation Trust	Nov	to be determined
May	(general)	Dec	(general)
May-Jun-Jul-Aug-no Soup Suppers (general outreach)			

<b>Regular Activities</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sundays	Rice & Beans Ministry
	Last Sundays 5-7 pm Sept-Apr	Soup/Bread Community Supper
	Mondays 10:30 am	Cullowhee Men's Group 10:30 am
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mondays	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am

### Vestry Stewardship Covenant 2019

#### St. David's Episcopal Church

We believe that God loves us unconditionally and desires that we love one another without exception; that God wants us to use the gifts we've been given including the gifts of listening, discerning, and doing. We trust in God's abundance and can respond in generosity and love by serving our community and creation in ways we never thought possible.

We commit to fostering a broad vision of stewardship as encompassing our physical church, our congregation, the community that surrounds us, and all of creation.

We invite the St. David's family to explore how we can embody God's love and promise of abundance in our process, practice, and reflection.

**St. David's Links and Contact Information:**

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[Lectionary Page 2019](#)

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**Diocesan Links:**

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The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop

[Sign up for Diocesan Newsletter](#)

[Camp Henry Facebook page](#)

[www.lakelogan.org](http://www.lakelogan.org)

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