

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



April 2, 2017

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

Sun	Apr 2	Lent 5, Lenten Study 9:30 am
Tue	Apr 5	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Apr 9	Palm Sunday, Beans & Rice Sunday
Tue	Apr 11	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Thu	Apr 13	Maundy Thursday Service 5:30 pm
Sun	Apr 16	Easter
Tue	Apr 18	Accessible Mindfulness, 10 am
Sun	Apr 23	Easter 2
Sun	Apr 30	Easter 3
		Soup & Bread Community Supper 5-7 pm
Tue	May 2	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sat	May 6	Monthly Mindfulness, 10 am
Sun	May 7	Easter 4
Tue	May 9	Vestry meeting 5:30 pm
Sun	May 14	Easter 5, Beans & Rice Sunday
Tue	May 16	Accessible Mindfulness, 10 am
Fri	May 19	Wine Event
Sun	May 21	Easter 6
Sun	May 28	Easter 7
Sat	Jun 3	Yard Sale, Monthly Mindfulness 10 am
		Cold Mountain Music Festival at Lake Logan
Sun	Jun 3	Pentecost
Fri-Sun	Jun 9-11	Chad's Yoga Retreat Banner Elk
Mon-Thu	Jun 26-29	Vacation Bible School, Cullowhee Methodist Church

### Serving this Sunday

Chalice: Vance Davidson  
 Reader: Betty Lynn Kirwan  
 Coffee: Pat & Steve Steinbrueck  
 Music: Nan Watkins  
 Readings: [Ezekiel 37:1-14](#),  
[Romans 8:6-11](#), [John 11:1-45](#),  
[Psalm 130](#)

### Serving during April

Bread: John Slater  
 Flowers: Donna Ross  
 Linen: Nan Watkins  
 Eucharist: Gael Graham &  
 Charles Pringle  
 Greeters: Paul & Melba Cooper

**Childcare is available during the church service.**

### Would You Like a Visit from the Rector?

Michael would be happy to visit; just let him know in person or by email  
[stdavids1879@gmail.com](mailto:stdavids1879@gmail.com).

## Lenten Study Group Final Sunday

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, 9:30 am

*The Last Week: What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus's Final Days in Jerusalem*

by Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan

The 2017 Altar Guild Schedule is available now at this link: [Altar Guild Schedule 2017](#)

### Regular Activities

Mondays 7:25 am	Mindfulness Meditation
Mondays 9-10:30 am	Centering Yoga
Mondays 10:30 am	Cullowhee Men's Group
Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 am	Sunrise Strength Flow Yoga
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays	Accessible Mindfulness
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturdays 10 am	Monthly Mindfulness
Last Sundays 5-7 pm	Soup/Bread Community Supper

## **The Gospel**

### **John 11:1-45**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

## **Easter is April 16**

The children, their parents and Michael decided during Lent not to have our usual processional parade at the end of the service. Lent is not usually about gaiety, and Lent is a good time for the children to have more time to make things for Holy Week and Easter.

Easter Day is an historically rich time for the sacrament of Baptism. Baptisms have been celebrated on Easter since the time of the early church. Please let Michael know if anybody in your family would like to be baptized this Easter (April 16).

The Episcopal Church's theology of Confirmation has continued to evolve along with its understanding of baptism. Confirmation is no longer seen as the completion of Christian initiation, nor is Confirmation a prerequisite for receiving communion. Baptism is full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's body the church. (From the Book of Common Prayer)

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## **Decorating for Easter**



Please plan to join Altar Guild members on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 am to decorate the church for Easter. We purchase spring flowers, but any flowers you have blooming will be appreciated. It is a time of fun and fellowship with the joy of seeing the church decorated and filled with wonderful smells of spring once the transformation is complete.

### **Flowers**

If you would like to make a donation to the Altar Guild to help cover the cost of flowers that we purchase, make the check to St. David's with Altar Guild Flowers on the memo line. Please give the check to Margot with the name(s) of people you are remembering, honoring, or for whom you are giving thanks. There will be a list of those recognized in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

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## **The Grace in Aging: To Experience Aging as More of a Gift and Less of a Burden** **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:15-10:30 in the Parish Hall.**

This special program will be led by Dr. John Ritchie, professor, therapist and a good friend to many at St. David's.

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## **Vecinos Donations Still Being Accepted**

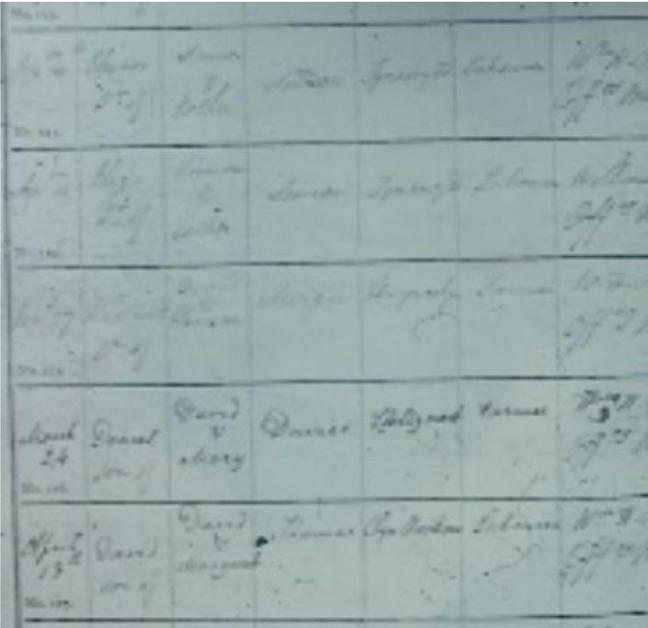
Donations can be made at any time for the Vecinos Farmworker Health Program. Vecinos is a health care program that works with migrant farm workers in the Western North Carolina region. Farm workers sometimes don't have the necessary resources needed to keep themselves healthy. Donations of things such as floss, toothpaste, bandages, eye-drops, etc. made be made at any time. Muff Lyons will see to it that they get delivered to the right place.

## St. David's Timeline

1826

By June Smith

Daniel David Davies founded St. David's Episcopal Church in Cullowhee. He was born at Llettyneest in Carmarthenshire, Southwest Wales, on January 31, 1826. He was the first-born son of David and Mary Ann Griffith Davies. In keeping with the Church in Wales and the faith of his parents, Daniel David was baptized in St. Llawdogg's Church, the parish church of Llanllawddog, on March 24, 1826. Parishioners Elizabeth and Henry Mainwaring visited St. Llawdogg's Church in 1970 and photographed the baptismal record of Daniel David. St. Llawdogg lived in the 7th century, about 100 years after St. David. According to tradition, he was responsible for many miracles. Ask Michael how to pronounce all these double lls!



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## From the Diocese



### Lake Logan Lecture Series: Selena Einwechter

- Thursday, April 6 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Lake Logan Conference Center

Author of *Courage is Abundant in the Abstract* and owner of Tiffany Hill Bed & Breakfast, Selena Einwechter is an inspiration to anyone wanting to transform their dreams into realities. After spending 30 years in corporate America, Selena finally decided to leave and pursue her long-time dream of owning a B&B. She now spends much of her time detailing her faith-based journey to entrepreneurship, and the financial, economic and personal decisions that accompany making big life changes.

[Register here.](#)

# Parish News & Notes

## Birthdays

- Apr 1 **Eric Neff**
- Apr 2 **Betsy Swift**
- Apr 4 **Tyler Kinnear**
- Apr 7 **Barbara Hardie**
- Apr 8 **Ellerd Hulbert, Lisa Annis**
- Apr 9 **Hal Farwell**



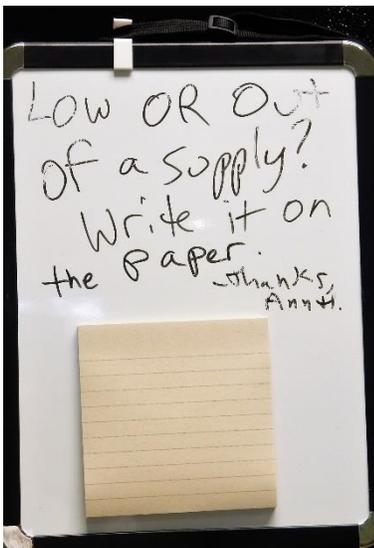
Porter Dills-Mullholland got to ring the bell Sunday.

Prayers for safe travels and a successful mission to Project Panama. Going from St. David's are Betsy Swift, Sandy Frazier, and Harry and Karen Brown.



Congratulations to Jake Coburn on being accepted at the University of Alabama.

Our children made Lenten pretzels for Coffee Hour with help from Wesley Satterwhite and others.

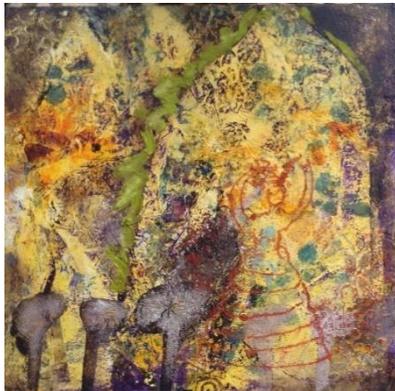


Ann Hallyburton has placed a notepad on the refrigerator in the Parish Hall where you can write a note if you are aware of any supplies that need to be purchased.



**It is amazing how many kinds of soup there are to choose amongst at the soup suppers.**

Sunday, April 30 will be the last Soup Supper until September as the last Sunday in May is Memorial Day, a time when many people have travel plans.



**Melba Cooper to give Program at Library April 10, 6-7 pm**

The Arts Council will feature a presentation by local artist Melba Cooper. The “Path of the Pollen” Power point presentation will feature the process of development of her ongoing series of works in the medium of cold wax/oil. The series, “Pollination” invites you into her abstract intuitive paintings inspired by the honeybee.

**Celebrate Spring and Earth Day with yoga on the grass by the Tuckasiegee River**

**Earth Day Yoga (a wee bit early)**

**Free**

**East LaPorte Park**

**Thursday, April 20, 7-8 pm**

**[www.centeringyoganc.com](http://www.centeringyoganc.com)**

**[centeringyoganc@gmail.com](mailto:centeringyoganc@gmail.com) 828 508-2501**





### Box Tops for Education

Many of our school-age children are collecting Box Tops for Education. I will put a basket on the counter beneath the white board and if anyone has box tops, they can drop them off in the basket. We will divide them equally among the children.

### Meditation Opportunities at St. David's

**Mindfulness Meditation: Mondays 7:25-8:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Our practice is Contemplation of Wise Texts (Lectio), Sitting Meditation, and Informal Dialogue.

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

**Monthly Mindfulness:** First Saturday of each month from 10 am until noon in the Parish Hall.

#### 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.](#)

The **Tuesday Meditation Group** meets in the undercroft at St. John's Episcopal Church in downtown Sylva on the **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 1 pm.** The format is to meditate for 15 minutes at the beginning and 15 minutes at the end. The inspirational material for the half hour in between will be decided by whoever volunteers to facilitate that week.

**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.

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

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#### [Altar Guild Schedule 2017](#)

#### [2017 Greeter Schedule](#)

#### Diocesan Links:

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The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin,  
Bishop

#### [Diocesan E-Newsletter sign-up page](#)

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