

The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



May 15, 2022

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

Rogation Sunday Procession and Picnic on May 22nd

By Mtr. Gaelyn+

Traditionally, Rogation Days (from the Latin term rogatio, "asking") are the three days before Ascension Day, which falls on May 12th this year. Rogation can also be observed on the 6th Sunday of Easter. The observance originated in Vienne, France, in the fifth century, when Bishop Mamertus introduced days of fasting and prayer to ward off a threatened disaster. In England they were associated with the blessing of the fields at planting. The vicar, wardens, and choir boys "beat the bounds" of the parish, processing around the fields reciting psalms and the litany. In the United States, they have been associated with rural life and with agriculture and fishing. The propers in the BCP (pp. 207-208, 258-259, 930) have widened their scope to include commerce and industry and the stewardship of creation.

Given our deep love and respect for creation at St. David's, observing Rogation Sunday is a perfect time to celebrate and ask God's blessing on our land. On Sunday, May 22nd following our 11:00 service of Holy Eucharist, we will process through the Cemetery and onto the Nature Trail, offer prayers, and ask for blessings at Jo's Playground, and bless our gardens. Please bring a picnic lunch, so we can enjoy some fellowship and this beautiful space we have been blessed to steward.

Happening Soon at St. David's

Sunday 10:00-10:40 am

Bible Study

Altar Guild Brunch (tentative)

May 21st at 10:30 am

Rogation Sunday

May 22nd Special Service-Bring a picnic lunch

You can find dates and information about attending the Diocesan [Deanery Dinners](#) at this link.

Smoky Mountains STEM Collaborative

Lunar Eclipse with the Smoky Mountains STEM Collaborative!

ARTEMIS

NASA Partner

- Science video playlist, including eclipse livestream
- NASA activities for all ages
- On-site binoculars and telescopes

Out-of-this-world lunar trivia with Matt Cass!

Innovation Station
Dillsboro
May 15, 2022
8 p.m.

There will be a lunar eclipse viewing event at Innovation Station in Dillsboro on Sunday night (5/15). It starts at 8 pm with trivia; there will be telescopes set up to see the beginning of the eclipse at 9:30 through the peak at 11:30.

Randi Neff will be working the event and will have activities for people of all ages.



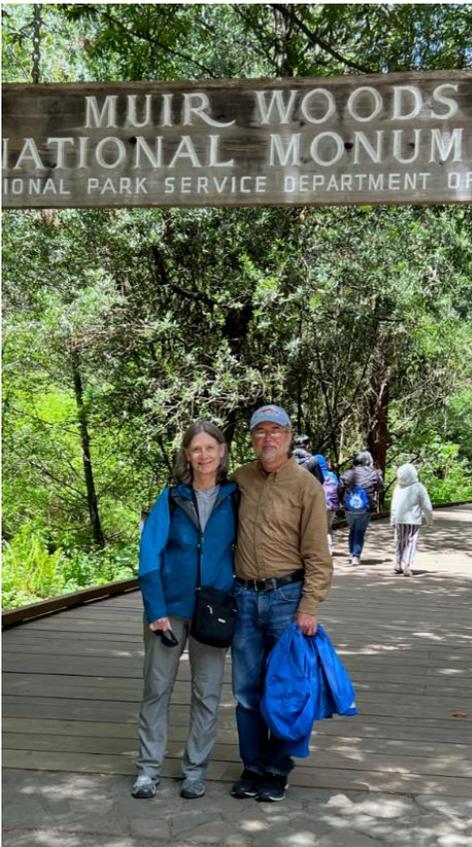
Randi and Jeff Neff started putting together the new climbing dome in Jo's Playground last Sunday.



Parish News & Notes

Birthdays

May 15 **Sarah Harvey**
May 16 **Ed Hamlet**
May 17 **Zachary Smith**
May 17 **Zephyr Smith**



The Browns continue their travels. These photos are from a wine tasting in Washington and a short hike in the Muir Woods in California.



A sincere thank you from the editor for your submissions! News items and especially photos are always welcome. Let us know what you are up to or anything of interest to your parish friends. Send items to [Maggie Bowles](#).

Securing Our Property

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

Beware of Scammers!

Please know that 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.

Lake Logan Events

<https://www.lakelogan.org/events/>
[Link for Diocesan Newsletter](#)

Beans & Rice

Donations of rice and beans may be left in the large containers behind the front doors of the church to be distributed to Vecinos and families.



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

The Right Rev. Jose A. McLoughlin, Bishop
The Rev. Gaelyn Lei Evangreene, Rector
Lillian Pearson, Organist

Serving this Sunday

Chalice Bearer,
Lector, June Smith

Readings:

[Acts 11:1-18](#), [Revelation 21:1-6](#), [John 13:31-35](#), [Psalm 148](#)

Coffee Hour, Gael Graham
Greeter, Gael Graham
Altar Set Up, Betsy Swift
Linens, Margot Wilcox
Bread Baker, Karen Brown
Live Streaming, Doug Hanks
Vestry Counter,

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Regular Schedule at St. David's

Sundays

10:00-10:40 Bible Study in the Upper Room

11:00 In-Person and Facebook Live Holy Eucharist, Rector in office

Mondays and Wednesdays

Rector in office

Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00: Episcopal Campus Ministry (ECM) meets for dinner, conversation, and prayer. All students welcome.

2nd Mondays at 5:30

Vestry in the Gathering Place