

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



May 26, 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

Sun	May 26	Easter 6 Holy Eucharist 11 am Camp Henry Sunday Vestry Leadership Workshop 1 pm
Sun	Jun 2	Ascension Sunday 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
Mon	Jun 24	
Sun	Jun 30	Pentecost 3 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Tue	Jul 2	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Jul 7	Pentecost 4 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Mon	Jul 8	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Sun	Jul 14	Pentecost 5 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Tue	Jul 16	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Jul 21	Pentecost 6 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Sun	Jul 28	Pentecost 7 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Fri	Nov 2	Fruit of the Vine Wine Event 6:30 pm

[Sermon Link](#)

Childcare is available during the service most Sundays.

## Serving this Sunday

Chalice: George Rector

Reader: Paul Cooper

Music: Lillian Pearson

Coffee: Judy & Ron Robinson

Readings: [Acts 16:9-15](#), [Revelation 21:10](#),

[22-22:5](#), [John 14:23-29](#) or [John 5:1-9](#),

[Psalm 67](#)

## Serving during May

Flowers: Rosa Reily

Linen: Gerlinde Lindy

Communion: Muff Lyons & Laurie

Hulbert

Bread: Wesley Satterwhite

Greeters: Melba & Paul Cooper

## Serving during June

Flowers: Judy Annis

Linen: Faye Jacobson

Communion: Judy Annis & Faye Jacobson

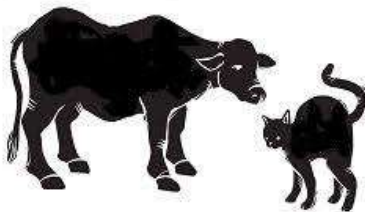
Bread: Doug & Mary Michael Hanks

Greeters: Hank Sharp & Lydia Aydlett



This Sunday is Camp Henry Sunday, and [this link](#) takes you to a youtube video about it.

## Holy Cow! The CAT is Coming!



The Vestry of St. David's voted at its meeting this past Monday to engage *Holy Cow Consulting* to administer and interpret a survey that will provide important information about the desires of our members as we move forward in the process of calling a new rector. This survey will be followed by an opportunity for each of you to participate in a Holy Conversation where your voice can be heard in person by the members of the Discernment Committee and Vestry. The information gathered from

both of these sources, along with a variety of data about St. David's and the surrounding community, will be compiled to form a Parish Profile that will then be circulated widely to elicit candidates.

## Discernment Committee Members

Harry Brown, Chairman

Vance Davidson, Vestry Liaison

Marilyn Jody Margot Wilcox

George Rector

Maggie Bowles



## Letting Go

By The Rev. Valori Mulvey Sherer

Since I ran out of what I call "St. David's time" this week, I elected to use a poem I wrote a few years ago called *Letting Go* as my article for this week. As we mutually enter the transition into active search for your new rector, this seems especially supportive. Change is hard, but we don't make it alone. God is always with us, guiding the undulations of our movement and rest.

Standing in the dark mystery  
I gaze into the light.  
It draws me and my muscles twitch  
ready to move and be in it.  
But I hesitate, aware of the cool comfort  
afforded me  
in the quietness of my cave.  
A bird flies in the light  
past the opening of my cave.  
Then a bug,  
then lots of bugs come into my view.  
The world is happening there  
in the light  
and it beckons me to come.  
I want to and I don't.  
It's quiet here and cool.  
No bugs to bite me; no birds to startle me; no sun  
to make me sweat.  
Yet I do want to go. And I don't.  
"How do I decide?" I ask the darkness.  
"When do I go?"  
"You'll know" she says. So I wait.  
And I watch.  
They are both beautiful, these different worlds.  
Light and warmth, movement and life,  
dark and cool, stillness, and solitude.  
Both are awful, these different worlds.  
Chaos and exhaustion reach out  
while emptiness and isolation reach back.  
"Go on, "the darkness compels me. "Touch the light,  
live the life."  
Come back when the chaos blinds and exhausts you.  
Rest in me  
until the emptiness and loneliness consume you.  
I AM  
the darkness.  
I AM  
the light.  
Rest and keep moving.

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## Financial Snapshot as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

By Steve Steinbrueck

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

St. David's operates on a cash basis. Income is reported when received (not when expected or promised) and expenses are reported when paid.

	Budgeted to date	Actual to date
Total Revenues	\$38,180.00	\$47,920.98
Pledges	33,763.32	43,747.31
Total Expenses	37,065.36	37,065.36
Total Revenues (-) Expenses		\$10,855.62

# #WearOrange Weekend

## FRI., JUNE 7 TO SUN., JUNE 9

Free orange ribbons will be available at St. David's  
on Sunday, June 9.



Every day, 100 Americans are  
killed with guns.

Firearms are the second leading  
cause of death for American  
children and teens.

Access to a gun increases the  
risk of death by suicide by 3x.

Orange draws attention, whether it is up close or from a distance.  
Orange was chosen to symbolize the value of human life and is worn as  
a signal that wearers do not want to be the next victim of gun violence

The campaign encourages people to post photos on social media and  
explain why they support the cause, using the hashtag #WearingOrange.

For more information go to: [www.wearorange.org](http://www.wearorange.org)

## Help Needed for UMC Literacy Camp

Cullowhee UMC received a 3-year Duke Endowment Grant to provide a 6-week summer literacy camp for rising 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> graders. This summer the camp will run June 17<sup>th</sup>-July 30<sup>th</sup>. Areas where we need your help include:

- Transportation of students to and from camp
- Nutrition: People to help serve a simple nutritious breakfast at 8:15 am. Students will eat lunch on campus, and we need church people to walk them to the WCU cafeteria each day.
- Food scholarship support
- People to prepare a Monday night meal for the parent/teacher conferences

Please let us know where you would like to help by emailing the church office, <http://www.cullowheumc.org/>.



In keeping with our commitment to the Stewardship of the Entirety of Our Lives -  
St. David's Episcopal Church gladly offers

**A FREE COMMUNITY VIEWING & PLANNING WORKSHOP**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 24 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.**

**PARIS  
TO  
PITTSBURGH**

Bloomberg Philanthropies RadicalMedia NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Join us at  
**The Gathering Place at St. David's Episcopal Church**  
**385 Forest Hills Rd., Cullowhee, NC 28723**

**Climate change is real and we can be part of the solution  
to create change in our own community!**

For information or to reserve a seat  
email: [stdavidscullowhee@gmail.com](mailto:stdavidscullowhee@gmail.com) or call: (828) 331-1472



## Volunteers Needed to Help at Cold Mountain Music Festival!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click **this link** 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.

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## Parish News & Notes

### Birthdays

May 23 David Philyaw, Ann Hallyburton  
May 24 Robin Whitley  
May 27 Art Campana  
May 30 Steve Steinbrueck  
Jun 1 Margot Wilcox, Chase Robinson  
Jun 2 Emerson Patrick Chase

### Anniversaries

May 22 Donna Ross & Frank Lockwood  
May 25 Courtney Smith & Mark Tomczak  
May 29 Barbara Hardie & Michael Hudson  
May 31 Brad & Caroline Ulrich  
Jun 2 Judy & Ron Robinson

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### Meditation Opportunities at St. David's

**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.

### 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.

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### Virtual Closet

If you need medical-related equipment or have something you can offer, contact Claire Marsh: [clairemrsh@gmail.com](mailto: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.

<b>Regular Activities</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sundays	Rice & Beans Ministry
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays 5:30 pm	Taizé Service 5:30 pm
	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> Tuesdays	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am

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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 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](http://stdavidscullowhee.org)

[Lectionary Page 2019](#)

Newsletter editor: Maggie Bowles: [magbowles@gmail.com](mailto:magbowles@gmail.com)

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Mailing address: PO Box 152, Cullowhee, NC 28723

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

## St. David's Vestry Members:

Judy Robinson, Senior Warden

Muff Lyons, Junior Warden

Sandy Frazier—Gael Graham

Vance Davidson—Jake Jacobson

## [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](mailto:E.contact@cullowheemountainarts.org)

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

## **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.