

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



May 31 2020

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

## Sunday Service Information for Pentecost

### Order of Service

Be sure to print the order of service ahead of time because parts of the Liturgy will be "special" for Pentecost!

### Hymns to practice:

[513 Like the murmur of the dove's song](#)

[521 Put forth O God thy spirit's might](#)

### Serving this Sunday

Reader: Marcus Goodkind

Prayer Leader: Kelley Dinkelmeyer

Prayers of Congregation: Margot Wilcox

Email prayer requests to [Muff Lyons](#)

Check out this link for short meditations by Bishop Curry: [Habits of Grace: Presiding Bishop Michael Curry](#). Other important Diocesan links are: [Diocese of Western NC COVID 19 page](#) and [Sign up for Diocesan E-Newsletters](#).

### [Pentecost Message from Bishop José](#)



## Some Timely Information

If you would like a printed copy of *The Coracle* newsletter mailed to you each week (or know of someone who needs this), please contact Carol Payton at 850-585-7241 or leave a message on the office phone at (828)331-1427. Paper copies of the church directory are also available upon request.

### Zoom Update

Beginning May 30th, 2020, Zoom will be enabling [GCM encryption](#) across the entire Zoom platform, providing increased protection for meeting data. Zoom has likely already asked you to install an update when you signed on to a meeting recently. If not, please use this link to [update](#) to Zoom 5.0. After May 30th, all Zoom clients on older versions will receive a forced update when trying to join meetings, as GCM encryption will be fully enabled across the Zoom platform.

### On the Horizon

St. David's is in the process of acquiring a YouTube channel where we can upload videos of our online services. These videos will be viewable only by people who have the link, which will be made available to the St. David's community. This way of preserving online services will help the Parish worship together as St. David's looks forward to regathering "in person" in a way that continues to include EVERYONE whether at home or at the church. The use of YouTube will allow everyone to gather for worship whether they can physically attend or not.

## From the Interim Rector

Governor Roy Cooper recently promulgated guidelines for reopening and regathering under Phase 2 for the state of NC, which began Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and will remain in place 4-6 weeks. In accordance with state guidelines, Bishop José subsequently made it clear: No indoor, in-person worship will be allowed during Diocesan Phase 2.

Bishop José then released "An Initial Approach to Regathering" which details all of the Diocesan Phase 2 guidelines. These guidelines were sent to all Rectors/Priests-in-Charge and Vestries to guide church leaders in planning for regathering and returning to in-person worship according to each congregation's circumstances and preferences.

I always think of St. David's as "The little church that can!" Sure enough, Senior Warden Jessica Philyaw is in the process of forming a St. David's Regathering task force which she will chair. This group will use Bishop José's guidelines as the framework to develop specific guidelines for St. David's reopening and regathering under Gaelyn+'s leadership. Jessica will keep everyone informed as this work proceeds.

In his cover letter to "An Initial Approach to Regathering," Bishop Jose wrote:

"In 2020 we are experiencing a Season of Easter, fifty days, which is unrecognizable compared with our past in many ways. Ways of relationship, ways of worship, ways of gathering are unlike Easter Seasons before this one. We are experiencing a transformed reality that bears some resemblance to Jesus' closest companions after his death and resurrection. We must find new ways of being together, new ways of hearing our old stories, new ways of recognizing the Risen Christ in our midst, in one another, and in the world around us. Like those earliest companions, we are learning things about ourselves, about the Christ within and among us, and like them, this journey will not be simply a return to the past ways of being and knowing. The journey before us invites us into new and deeper places with the Risen Christ."

Need I remind you? God is good—all the time!

Love and Blessings!

Caroline+



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## Vestry Notes from the Sr. Warden

By Jessica Philyaw

As Caroline+ explains, vestry has taken the step of forming a "Regathering Task Force" to begin working with Bishop Jose's guidelines for reincorporating in-person worship into the fabric of our life together at St. David's. This group will develop ideas (and questions) to be considered by Gaelyn+ and the vestry as they work together to chart a path forward.

Thanks to those who have agreed to serve with me on the St. David's Regathering task force: Gael Graham, Sandy Frazier, Doug Hanks, Steve Steinbrueck, Harry Brown, Nancie Wilson, and Muff Lyons.

If you would like to be in touch with our new rector as we prepare to welcome her to St. David's, you may do so at: [rector@stdavidscullowhee.org](mailto:rector@stdavidscullowhee.org). Gaelyn formally joins us on June 23<sup>rd</sup> but has access to email at the new address as of today. You can contact Caroline at [interimrector@stdavidscullowhee.org](mailto:interimrector@stdavidscullowhee.org).

# Parish News & Notes

## Birthdays

Jun 1 Margot Wilcox, Chase Robinson  
Jun 4 Lori Seischab  
Jun 6 Elise Reynolds, Lesley Duggins, Paul Yanik

## Anniversaries

May 31 Caroline & Brad Ulrich  
Jun 2 Judy & Ron Robinson

## The Corona Coping Column

If you have a story you wish to share, please send it in! And remember to send pictures! [magbowles@gmail.com](mailto:magbowles@gmail.com)

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

### St. David's Vestry

Jessica Philyaw, Sr. Warden	Sandy Frazier, Jr. Warden
Gael Graham	Vance Davidson
Jake Jacobson	Doug Hanks
Steve Steinbrueck, Treasurer, is ex-officio to the vestry.	