

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



June 26, 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.

## Happening Soon at St. David's

Sundays 10:00-10:40 am

Bible Study

Pentecost 3

Holy Eucharist 11 am

Day of Mindfulness with Trish Thompson

**Rescheduled for Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**

End of Life Planning session

Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

### Note Change of Date Below!

Please email [info@stdavidscullowhee.org](mailto:info@stdavidscullowhee.org) only if you have signed up but cannot come on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### ST. DAVID'S IN THE VALLEY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

### A DAY OF MINDFULNESS

### "Reverence is the Nature of My Love"

In the Tradition of

The Plum Village Community of Engaged Buddhism

WITH



**TRISH THOMPSON**

**DHARMA TEACHER, ORDAINED BY THE  
ZEN MASTER THICH NHAT HANH**

**SATURDAY, 9 JULY 2022, 9:15 AM - 3:30 PM**

*To include the practices of:* Guided Sitting Meditation, Walking Meditation,  
Mindful Movements, Mindful Eating, Total Relaxation, Dharma Sharing

- Bring:**
- Yoga mat
  - a cushion or pillow for sitting on the floor (chairs available)
  - a small blanket or shawl
  - a personal, plant-based lunch in a bag.
  - Wear comfortable clothing

**ATTENDANCE LIMITED TO 25  
LOVE - OFFERING ONLY**

For info on Trish and her work in Vietnam, visit <http://www.lovingworkfoundation.org>

## Save the Date!

End of Life Planning (liturgical, legal, medical, and burial) Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

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### Vestry News

Dear Friends,

Your Vestry met last week (6/13/2022), everyone in attendance, with a long agenda that we did manage to get through!

The *Gathering Place* and *Upper Room* are getting more use by various groups, so the time has come to establish some simple systems for signing up to avoid “double-booking,”—admittedly a good problem to have! To reserve a space in the parish hall for your group to meet, please email Graydon, our parish administrator, at [info@saintdavidscullowhee.org](mailto:info@saintdavidscullowhee.org). Indicate who the contact person for the group is and when you will be using it. Graydon will enter it in Google calendar so that others can see when the space is available and when it is in use.

As Mother Gaelyn announced on Sunday, the concerns we all have about gun safety are being discussed by the Vestry. We have been in touch with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department, and they are happy to work with churches to discuss increasing the safety of our gatherings. We anticipate meeting with a Deputy in July.

We approved monies to be spent on routine cleaning. Watch for: sparkling clean windows in the sanctuary, as well as clean carpets, windows, and screens in the Gathering Place. Coming soon!

Also, be on the lookout for our new sign on Forest Hills Road. George Rector worked with multiple companies getting estimates and mock-ups for various sign options, as well as lending his own artistic sense to design one that is complementary to the church structure to which it directs visitors and newcomers. Thank you, George!

Doug Hanks, who has been our junior Warden for two years and through several significant projects, has stepped down. George Rector has agreed to step into that role. Thank you, Doug, for that demanding but behind-the-scenes ministry, (and while we're at it, thanks also for being our “cinematographer” enabling our Sunday service to be broadcast on Facebook Live every week!)

The Vestry approved a \$500 grant to Mikayla Caroon, a WCU student in the College of Education, to assist her going to Kenya for a three-week project during the upcoming Fall semester. Mikayla is an ECM member who often worships with us on Sundays. Ask her to tell you more about her exciting opportunity!

Mother Gaelyn is working to put together several experts from the parish and the community to present an End-of-Life Planning Seminar. Topics to be considered will be medical, legal, burial, and funeral planning. A date will be announced as soon as it is confirmed with all the presenters.

I hope that we are each and all enjoying this “green growing” season, and able to slow down to enjoy all that it brings—time to relax, to visit with family and friends, and to give thanks for the blessing of community.

Thank you for all that you bring to St. David's!

Betsy Swift, Senior Warden

## Women of a Certain Age–LOL

Some of St. David's women-of-a-certain-age got together a few months ago to talk about a book called *The Inner Work of Age: Shifting from Role to Soul*. We have found our wide-ranging conversations about growing older a rewarding experience and want to invite other women who are interested in the topic of aging to join our future discussions. Starting July 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be reading *Our Last Best Act* by Mallory McDuff. We will not meet next week. If you are interested, join us on Tuesdays at 1:00 in the *Gathering Place*. The book will be available at City Lights bookstore.



### Book Basket

Lydia Aydlett is starting a St David's book exchange. There will be a basket painted gold in the *Gathering Place* with available books in it. Take them and enjoy, returning finished books to the basket. Books that languish will go to Friends of the Library.

## Parish News & Notes

### Birthdays

June 26 **Robert Lindy**  
June 27 **Caroline Ulrich**  
June 29 **Marilyn Jody**  
**Anniversaries**  
June 30 **Barb Manke & Betsy Swift**  
June 30 **June & Newt Smith**

It's the Big 90 for Marilyn Jody, our Wise Elder in Residence!



Celebrating two birthdays at the LOL meeting: Marilyn Jody on June 29<sup>th</sup> and Lydia Aydlett on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. They are laughing because they were having a hard time cutting the cake—turns out it was still partially frozen! It thawed out quickly and provided a major chocolate fix for all.

The Smith family clearly enjoying their time in France.



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](#).

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### Securing Our Property

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

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#### 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/>

#### 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.



**THE WILD GOOSE IS THROWING A PARTY  
AND YOU'RE INVITED.**

#### WHO ARE WE?

Wild Goose Festival is a transformational community grounded in faith-inspired social justice. Wherever we come together – at our nationwide festival, smaller local and regional gatherings, or social spaces online – we learn and grow by co-creating art, music, story, theater, and spectacle, engaging in a wide variety of robust, respectful conversations with each other and with thought leaders and artists from other communities. We refuse to be enemies with anyone.

#### WHO IS INVITED?

We are welcoming and hospitable to people of all faiths – or no faith – who join us in seeking the common good. We fully affirm and celebrate people of every age, ethnicity, gender, gender expression, sexual identity, education, bodily condition, religious affiliation, and economic background, particularly those who are most often marginalized.

#### WHAT DO WE MEAN BY FAITH-INSPIRED SOCIAL JUSTICE?

We are rooted in Progressive Christianity. For us this means moving beyond belief to center ourselves in justice and compassion, to walk toward those in need and to solidarity with the marginalized and the oppressed, acknowledging our own privilege and actively working to use our power to alleviate suffering and achieve wholeness.

Taking Place this year July 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> at VanHoy Campground in Union Grove, NC. Buy tickets here <https://wildgoosefestival.org/tickets/>

Glamping spots still available, tent camping included in ticket cost, and hotels 15 minutes from our new location.

## 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, Brad Orvis  
Lector,

Readings:

[2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14, Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20, Galatians 5:1,13-25, Luke 9:51-62](#)

Coffee Hour, Terri Sanger

Greeter, Laurie Hulbert

Altar Set Up, Faye Jacobson & Judy Annis

Linens, Faye Jacobson

Bread Baker, Doug & Mary Michael Hanks

Live Streaming, Doug Hanks

Vestry Counter, Brad Orvis

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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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at 5:30

Vestry in the Gathering Place