

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



June 9, 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

Fri-Sun	Jun 7-9	<b>Wear Orange for Gun Violence Awareness</b>
Sun	Jun 9	<b>Pentecost</b> Holy Eucharist 11 am
Mon	Jun 10	Vestry Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Sun	Jun 16	Trinity Sunday Holy Eucharist 11 am
Tue	Jun 18	Accessible Mindfulness 10 a.m.
Sun	Jun 23	Pentecost 2 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Mon	Jun 24	SEOL: From Paris to Pittsburgh
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 Book Study: <i>My Grandmother's Hands</i>
Mon	Jul 8	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Sun	Jul 14	Pentecost 5 Holy Eucharist 11 am Book Study: <i>My Grandmother's Hands</i> Abraham's Table 4-8 pm, WCU picnic area
Tue	Jul 16	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Jul 21	Pentecost 6 Holy Eucharist 11 am Book Study: <i>My Grandmother's Hands</i>
Sun	Jul 28	Pentecost 7 Holy Eucharist 11 am
Fri	Nov 2	Fruit of the Vine Wine Event 6:30 pm

## Serving this Sunday

Chalice:

Reader: Paul Cooper

Music: Lillian Pearson

Coffee: Margot Wilcox **ICE CREAM!**

Readings: [Acts 2:1-21](#), or [Genesis 11:1-9](#), [Romans 8:14-17](#), or [Acts 2:1-21](#), [John 14:8-17, \(25-27\)](#), [Psalm 104:25-35, 37](#)

## Serving during June

Flowers: Judy Annis

Linen: Faye Jacobson

Communion: Judy Annis & Faye

Jacobson (Linda Kinnear on June 9<sup>th</sup>)

Bread: Doug & Mary Michael Hanks

Greeters: Hank Sharp & Lydia

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[Sermon Link](#)

**Childcare is available during the service most Sundays.**

## Wear **Red** and **Orange** This Sunday

### #WearOrange Weekend

FRI., JUNE 7 TO SUN., JUNE 9

Free orange ribbons will be available at St. Davids on Saturday, June 8.



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 to a cause or from a distance. Orange was chosen to emphasize the value of human life and to serve as a sign 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 #WearOrange.

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

It's Pentecost this Sunday. On the birthday of the church, we traditionally wear red, the color of life-blood, to celebrate the feast. In addition, orange ribbons are available at the church in support of [Gun Violence Awareness Day](#).



## The CAT is Out of the Bag

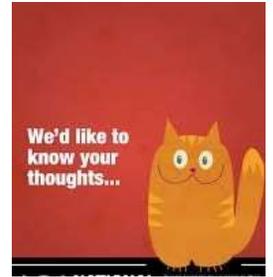
An email message containing a link to the CAT survey went out late Wednesday to church members, delayed a few days by some miscommunication with the consultant. All answers are strictly anonymous. We have no way of matching any assessment to a particular person, so please feel free to candidly share your perceptions, opinions, and experiences. Our future together is dependent on member participation and honest answers.

If you have questions, or if you did not receive an email with a link and think you should have, please contact Maggie Bowles at [magbowles@gmail.com](mailto:magbowles@gmail.com) or 828-743-0585 (home) or 803-920-9974 (cell). If it is a problem for you to do the survey online, contact Maggie, and we will figure out how is the best way for you to participate. We aim to be inclusive, but sometimes slip-ups can occur.

Thank you!

Your Discernment Committee

Harry Brown, Maggie Bowles, Vance Davidson, Marilyn Jody, George Rector, Margot Wilcox



## Interim Rector on Retreat

The week following Trinity Sunday (June 16<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>) our Interim Rector will be on private retreat. Please hold Valori+ in prayer during this time of re-membering. The Rev. Nick McDonald will be our supply priest for Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. In case of pastoral emergency, please contact Judy Robinson, our Sr. Warden, who will contact Valori+.

## Save The Dates!

Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting another SEOL community event: a screening of *Paris to Pittsburgh*, a new film from National Geographic intended “to draw faith communities together to inspire local community action to heal the climate for the benefit of all.”

Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> we will gather at the WCU picnic center for an Abrahamic family reunion picnic—time set aside for us to relax, eat, play, and just be together—deepening our relationships. BYO Picnic food, drinks, utensils, plus a little extra to share.

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.



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 [stavid@cullowhee@gmail.com](mailto:stavid@cullowhee@gmail.com) or call (828) 331-1472

### Abraham's Table:

#### A family reunion

Join us as we relax, eat, play,  
and share time together as the children of Abraham:  
Jewish, Christian, and Muslim.

**Sunday, July 14**

**4:00 to 8:00 pm**

All are welcome as we celebrate our common roots  
and live as one in an era of political division.

### WCU Picnic Area

behind the softball field

We invite you to bring a picnic lunch –  
enough for you and a bit extra.  
Bring your favorite picnic game(s), guitar  
or instrument for sing-a-longs!



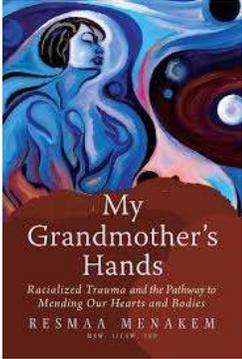
The lamps are different but the light is the same. ~Rumi



## Summer Reading Book Studies

Please join us for two book studies this summer and another in the fall. As usual, City Lights Bookstore will have copies available at a 10% discount; just let them know it is for the book study.

**July 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>:** *My Grandmother's Hands, Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies* by Resmaa Menakem.

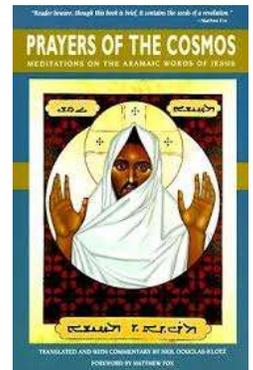


From the publisher: The body is where our instincts reside and where we fight, flee, or freeze, and it endures the trauma inflicted by the ills that plague society. In this groundbreaking work, therapist Resmaa Menakem examines the damage caused by racism in America from the perspective of body-centered psychology. He argues this destruction will continue until Americans learn to heal the generational anguish of white supremacy, which is deeply embedded in all our bodies... *My Grandmother's Hands* is a call to action for all of us to recognize that racism is not about the head, but about the body, and introduces an alternative view of what we can do to grow beyond our entrenched racialized divide. [This book offers] a step-by-step solution—a healing process—in addition to incisive social commentary.

Join us after coffee hour in The Gathering Place. Bring a brown bag lunch in case there is no coffee hour sustenance.

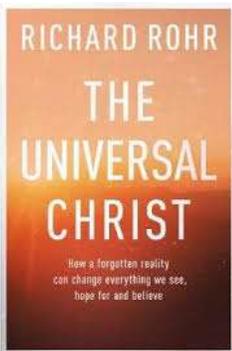
**August 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>:** *Prayers of the Cosmos, Reflections on the Original Meaning of Jesus's Words* by Neil Douglas-Klotz.

From the publisher: Neil Douglas-Klotz offers a radical new translation of the words of Jesus Christ... Reinterpreting the Lord's Prayer and the Beatitudes from the vantage of Middle Eastern mysticism, Douglas-Klotz... reveals a mystical, feminist, cosmic Christ. *Prayers of the Cosmos* is a spiritual revelation—and in the words of *Science of Mind*, “When you read this book, you will have no further doubt that God loves you infinitely and unconditionally.”



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**September 8<sup>th</sup>–??:** When we begin our fall program season, our book study will continue with *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr. This book is meant to be read aloud and pondered in a slow integrative process. We will meet to read this book aloud together, taking the time the Spirit desires for us to contemplate and integrate it.



From the publisher: Drawing on scripture, history, and spiritual practice, Rohr articulates a transformative view of Jesus Christ as a portrait of God's constant, unfolding work in the world. “God loves things by becoming them,” he writes, “and Jesus's life was meant to declare that humanity has never been separate from God—except by its own negative choice. When we recover this fundamental truth, faith becomes less about proving Jesus was God and more about learning to recognize the Creator's presence all around us, and in everyone we meet.”

Thought-provoking, practical, and full of deep hope and vision, *The Universal Christ* is a landmark book from one of our most beloved spiritual writers and an invitation to contemplate how God liberates and loves all that is.” Join us after coffee hour in The Gathering Place. Bring a brown bag lunch in case there is no coffee hour sustenance.

## 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.cullowheemc.org/>.



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## Vecinos Receives Grant

Vecinos, one of the local organizations that St. David's outreach helps, has received funding for a stand-alone Executive Director position through the Melvin R Lane Fund.

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## Parish News & Notes

### Birthdays

Jun 13 **Eric Hendrix**  
Jun 14 **Rose Helen Graham**  
Jun 15 **Laurie Hulbert**

### Anniversary

Jun 12 **Joan Byrd & George Rector**

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John Rivers, former rector of St. David's, is receiving Hospice Care in Black Mountain. His address is: 55 Wingspread Dr, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Congratulations to Kendra Graham on being accepted to graduate school at Gardner-Webb.

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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

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

Website: [stdavidscullowhee.org](http://stdavidscullowhee.org)

[Lectionary Page 2019](#)

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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 Members:**

Judy Robinson, Senior Warden

Muff Lyons, Junior Warden

Sandy Frazier—Gael Graham

Vance Davidson—Jake Jacobson

**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)

**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.