

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



July 30, 2017

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	Jul 30	Pentecost 8 <b>10 am</b>
Tue	Aug 1	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sat	Aug 5	Safeguarding God's Children, Grace Waynesville, 10 am, Monthly Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Aug 6	Transfiguration Sunday <b>10 am</b> Collection for Community Table
Tue	Aug 8	Vestry meeting 5:30 pm
Sun	Aug 13	Pentecost 10 Rice & Beans Sunday <b>10 am</b>
Tue	Aug 15	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Aug 20	Pentecost 11 <b>10 am</b>
Sun	Aug 27	Pentecost 12 <b>10 am</b>
Sat	Sep 2	Monthly Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Sep 3	Pentecost 13 <b>Start back with church at 11 am</b> Collection for Community Table
Tue	Sep 5	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sat	Sep 9	Church, Parish Hall and Yard Clean-up Day Parking lot in use by WCU after 3 pm
Sun	Sep 10	Pentecost 14 Rice & Beans Sunday
Tue	Sep 12	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Sat	Sep 15-17	Celebration of Michael Hudson's ministry
Sun	Sep 17	Pentecost 15
Tue	Sep 19	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sat	Sep 23	Parking lot in use by WCU after Noon
Sun	Sep 24	Pentecost 16 Soup & Bread Community Supper resumes 5-7 pm

**Childcare is available during the church service.**

## Serving this Sunday

Chalice: Betsy Swift

Reader:

Coffee: Nan Watkins

Music: Nan Watkins

Readings: [Genesis 29:15-28](#),

[Psalm 128](#), [Romans 8:26-39](#),

[Matthew 13:31-33,44-52](#)

## Serving during July

Bread: John Slater

Flowers: Muff Lyons & z

Margot Wilcox

Linen: Nan Watkins

Eucharist: Muff Lyons &

Charles Pringle

Greeters: Jane Coburn &

Linda Kinnear

## Serving during August

Bread: Jane Coburn

Flowers: 8/6 Nancie Wilson

8/13 Altar Guild

8/19 & 26 Judy Annis

Linen: Claire Marsh

Eucharist: Newt Smith & Tom

Wilcox

Kay Byer's memorial service will be on August 5<sup>th</sup> at the Community Table at 3 pm.

Nancie Wilson will be doing the flowers on August 6<sup>th</sup> in memory of Alice Mason.

The Altar Guild will have special flowers on August 13<sup>th</sup> in honor of  
Michael and Barbara on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their ministry at St. David's.

## Would You Like a Visit from the Rector?

Michael would be happy to visit; just let him know in person or by email [stdavids1879@gmail.com](mailto:stdavids1879@gmail.com).

## 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.



## The Gospel

**Matthew 13:31-33,44-52**

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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## Coffee Hour on August 6<sup>th</sup>

### Celebration of Charles Pringle's Ministry to St. David's

August 6<sup>th</sup> will be Charles' last Sunday with us before he heads east to care for his Mom. Altar Guild is providing food so all you need to bring is yourselves.

Those of us on the Altar Guild are very aware of Charles' ministry but Muff Lyons said it beautifully:

"When Charles took on the task of becoming Verger at St. David's, I had visions of what it would look like for Charles trying to herd a parish and Altar Guild of free range sheep -- and I think even our Bishop at the time felt the same way.

But in Charles' quiet, unassuming way, he has managed to lead us almost unknowingly in the path of "how it should be done." His willingness to be there and be present at St. David's will surely be missed.

We will never know how many times he and Michael have conferred on liturgy questions; how many times Charles has stepped in to fill vacancies so that Sunday services go smoothly; how many times he and Gael have shared their voices Sundays and for special services; how many times he has taught new members and reminded those of us on Altar Guild; and how many times his early arrival on Sunday morning insured that coffee hour was ready for those who had signed up; and the list, I am sure could go on ...." Muff



**Please join us on the 6<sup>th</sup> to give Charles a loving St. David's sendoff.**



*Please Join Us For*

# *A Grand Celebration*

*125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. David's Consecration  
and*

*25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Reverend Michael Hudson's Ministry at St. David's*

*Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 15-17, 2017*

*Friday, 7:30 p.m.*

*Concert in the Church*

*Lillian Pearson, harpsichord and organ, and Brad Ulrich, trumpet.*

*Saturday, 2-6 p.m.*

*Church yard and Parish Hall*

*Music, History, Comments, Food, and Fun*

*Featuring the ASLAN Players Resurrected accompanied by the Old Saint Himself*

*Sunday, 11 a.m.*

*The service of Holy Eucharist*

*Reflections by Church Members: The Gifts of Michael's Ministry*

*Special Music by Gael Graham, Charles Pringle, and Natalie Watkins*

## An Appeal for Photographs

As we work towards putting together a Grand Celebration of Michael's ministry here at St. David's and the anniversary of the original consecration of the church, we want to gather photographs of the church, its people, and the many activities that have taken place over the years. Please take some time and look back through your photographs for ones that are related to St. David's. Of course, the more recent years are better represented already, so there is a special need for ones from years back.

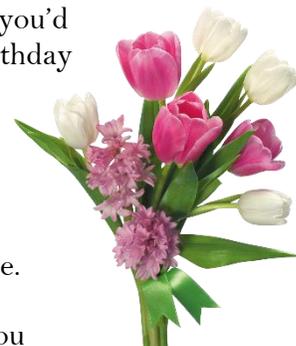
Please share your digital photos with Maggie Bowles [magbowles@gmail.com](mailto:magbowles@gmail.com) by whatever format works for you—email, CD, thumb drive or link. Printed photos may be given to John Slater in person or contact him at 586-0630 or [johnwslater@yahoo.com](mailto:johnwslater@yahoo.com). Please try to do this no later than August 15.

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## *Just "Do" It!*

Did you know that you can "do" the flowers on a Sunday of your choice? Maybe you'd like to have flowers in memory of someone dear to your heart? Or to celebrate a birthday or anniversary? The Flower Guild branch of St. David's Altar Guild welcomes your participation. You can choose how you want to "do" them:

1. Call the florist and order arranged flowers, to be delivered or picked up.
2. Arrange flowers from your own garden.
3. Buy or otherwise provide some cut flowers for a flower guild person to arrange.



The white board now has a Flower column where you can sign up for the date you choose. Then please give a call to Gerlinde Lindy at 293-2128 or email her at [gerlindeml@aol.com](mailto:gerlindeml@aol.com) to let her know the name of the person and/or the occasion you are honoring as well as your preferred way of providing them. Special mention of that person will be in the service leaflet that Sunday.

If you have any questions, anyone on the Altar Guild can help you; see the [Altar Guild](#) link on the church website.

### Speaking of Flowers

A Correction: Those fabulous flowers pictured in last week's Coracle were grown and provided by Betty Lynn Kirwan and arranged by Margot Wilcox. Muff Lyons had nothing to do with that, but she did both grow and arrange the flowers that were on the altar this past Sunday.

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## St David's Timeline

By June Smith  
May, 1981

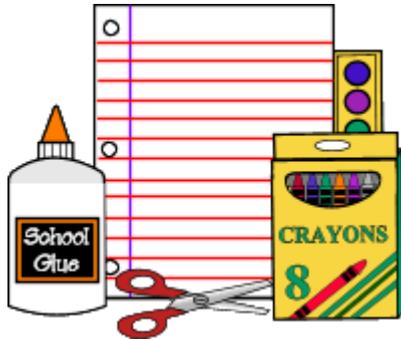
Throughout the 1970's, The Rev. John Rivers experienced a decline in his ability to hear. By the end of the decade, he felt he could no longer serve St. David's as he had been doing. With the support and encouragement of Bishop Weinhauer, John took classes in working with the deaf and hard of hearing at the University of Tennessee and Gallaudet University in Washington, DC. He and his family learned to sign in a combination of American Sign Language and other methods. Finally, he felt ready. In the spring of 1981, John was officially named Missioner to the Deaf for the Diocese of Western North Carolina. It was with mixed sadness and joy that the parishioners of St. David's released him to begin this new ministry.



## Safeguarding God's Children

A group is forming to attend the *Safeguarding God's Children* training at Grace Episcopal Church in Waynesville on August 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 10 am. If you are interested in going, please let Muff know as she is working out the arrangements. 293-0637) or email [mufflyons@gmail.com](mailto:mufflyons@gmail.com).

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### School Supplies Needed

Believe it or not, it's getting close to back-to-school time. Over the next few weeks, St. David's will once again be gathering new school supplies for Vecinos and other families who receive food donations. Luckily Wal-Mart and other stores have them right up front and on sale. Please bring donations of paper, notebooks, pencils, markers, crayons and other supplies and place them in the basket in the Parish Hall. Wal-Mart has local class lists if you want to get an idea of the kinds of supplies needed.

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*Dearest St. David's community,*

*Oh, my goodness, I truly have no words to express my deep gratitude for your outpouring of donations for our burned-out immigrant family, the de la Rosas.*

*Ozzie, the Vecinos contact gentleman, and I visited with the de la Rosa family last evening and gave them the Wal-Mart card totaling \$325 from St. David's. The tears of gratitude flowed freely from everyone!!!*

*Several people have asked if money, household linens, (no kitchen pots and pans needed), and school supplies could be donated this Sunday.*

*YES, is the answer. Ozzie and I will deliver on Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>.*

*Again, thank you from the bottoms of our hearts,*

*The de la Rosa family, Ozzie, and Muff*

# Parish News & Notes

## Birthdays

Jul 30 **Mary Ellen Griffin**  
Jul 31 **Kelley Dinkelmeyer**  
Aug 5 **Ruth Hardie-Hudson**

## Anniversaries

Jul 30 **Thomas & Helen McCaskill**  
Aug 3 **Jim & Maggie Bowles**  
Aug 6 **TJ Walker & Terry Nelson**



**There's nothing better to eat than ice cream!**



<b>Regular Activities</b>	Mondays 7:25 am	Mindfulness Meditation
	Mondays 9-10:30 am	Centering Yoga
	Mondays 10:30 am	Cullowhee Men's Group
	Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 am	Sunrise Strength Flow Yoga
	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays	Accessible Mindfulness
	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesdays 6:30 pm	Indivisible/Common Ground
	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturdays 10 am	Monthly Mindfulness
Last Sundays 5-7 pm Sept-May	Soup/Bread Community Supper	

### Meditation Opportunities at St. David's

**Mindfulness Meditation: Mondays 7:25-8:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Our practice is Contemplation of Wise Texts (Lectio), Sitting Meditation, and Informal Dialogue.

**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.

**Monthly Mindfulness:** First Saturday of each month from 10 am until noon in the Parish Hall.

#### 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.](#)

The **Tuesday Meditation Group will not meet during June, July, and August.** In September, it will resume meeting in the undercroft at St. John's Episcopal Church in downtown Sylva on the **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 1 pm.** The format is to meditate for 15 minutes at the beginning and 15 minutes at the end. The inspirational material for the half hour in between will be decided by whoever volunteers to facilitate that week.

**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.

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

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[Parish Mailing List \(sign in required\)](#)

#### [Altar Guild Schedule 2017](#)

[2017 Greeter Schedule](#)

#### Diocesan Links:

[Diocese of Western North Carolina](#)

The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin,  
Bishop

[Diocesan E-Newsletter sign-up page](#)

[Camp Henry Facebook page](#)