

# The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



September 10, 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

Sat	Sep 9	<b>CANCELLED!</b> Clean-up to prepare for Celebration Parking lot in use by WCU for football after 3 pm
Sun	Sep 10	Pentecost 14 <b>Rice &amp; Beans Sunday</b>
Mon	Sep 11	Long-range planning meeting 6:30 pm
Tue	Sep 12	Vestry Meeting 5:30 pm
Thu	Sep 14	Chad's yoga in the Parish Hall 7-8:30 pm
Fri	Sep 15	Celebration Concert 7:30 pm
Sat	Sep 16	Music, History, Comments, Food, and Fun, 3-6:30 pm
Sun	Sep 17	Holy Eucharist, Special Music and Reflections by church members
Sun	Sep 17	Pentecost 15
Tue	Sep 19	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sat	Sep 23	Parking lot in use by WCU for football after noon
Sun	Sep 24	Pentecost 16 Heidi Dinkelmeyer baptism Soup & Bread Community Supper resumes 5-7 pm
Fri	Oct 20	Fall Wine Event

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

## Serving this Sunday

Chalice: Vance Davidson  
Reader: Paul Cooper  
Coffee:  
Music: Lillian Pearson  
Readings: [Exodus 12:1-14](#),  
[Psalm 149](#), [Romans 13:8-14](#),  
[Matthew 18:15-20](#)  
**Serving during September**  
Bread: Wesley Satterwhite  
Flowers: Donna Ross  
Linen: Claire Marsh  
Eucharist: Laurie Hulbert &  
Muff Lyons  
Greeters: Hank Sharp &  
Jake Jacobson

## 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).

## WCU Football Saturdays

St. David's parking lot will be used by WCU on the following Saturdays: Sep 9<sup>th</sup> after 3 pm, Sep 23<sup>rd</sup>, Oct 14<sup>th</sup> after noon, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> after noon, and Nov 11<sup>th</sup> after 11 am.

## 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.



## Rice & Beans

This Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, is **Rice & Beans Sunday**. The children will bring the packaged food to the altar to be blessed. Muff Lyons has accompanied Vecinos staff who deliver the food and vouches for the joy she witnesses when the recipients receive it.

## Hurricane Harvey Help

Checks for Hurricane Harvey relief may be made out to and mailed to: Episcopal Relief and Development, 815 2nd Avenue, NY, NY 10017.

To help our furry family members who have been made homeless by the Hurricane, you may give to [The Humane Society Disaster Animal Relief Fund](#).

## The Gospel

### Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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### *A Truly Grand Celebration*

Do we have something to celebrate? You bet we do! During the weekend of September 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, we will commemorate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the consecration of St. David's and the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ministry here of the Rev. Michael V. Hudson. Michael was installed as the third full-time priest of St. David's in August, 1992, as we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the consecration of the church in August, 1892.



The celebration begins with a concert in the church on **Friday night, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm.** Playing the harpsichord and organ will be our own Lillian Pearson. Lillian Buss Pearson has performed extensively throughout the United States and Costa Rica, England, and China as a soloist and collaborative artist. She was the piano professor at Western Carolina University for 18 years, until 2006, when she moved to Massachusetts to pursue training in Alexander Technique. After completion of this training, she returned to North Carolina in 2014 and is again at WCU.

Her interest in historical performance practice led her to study harpsichord and fortepiano. For several years she has served as the harpsichordist for Stephen Preston's baroque flute class at Wildacres Flute Retreat in Little Switzerland, NC.

Lillian began playing organ at St. David's Episcopal Church shortly after first moving to Cullowhee and has had the pleasure of having association with this congregation almost continuously since that time, resuming her role when returning to NC.

The concert will include harpsichord solo works by Francois Couperin, Girolamo Frescobaldi, Johann Froberger, and Johann Sebastian Bach. She will be performing on her own harpsichord, a Flemish double manual, built in 1978 by William Dowd of Boston.

The other soloist for the concert is Dr. Bradley Ulrich, professor of music and trumpet professor at Western Carolina University since 1989. Maintaining an active performing career, Brad currently performs with the

Asheville Symphony Orchestra, the Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet, and the Fortress Brass Quintet.

Brad has performed countless recitals, both as a soloist and in brass quintets. He has performed and taught across the United States and in Russia, Canada, England, Ireland, Wales, St. Barths, Italy, China, Germany, Jamaica, Hungary, Romania, the Czech Republic, Costa Rica, and South Africa. Brad is the Artistic Director/First Trumpet of the Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet, which gave its New York debut at the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in June 2007.

Brad has three times won the James Dooley Award for Excellence in Teaching Music (2002, 2008, 2015), and in 2013 he was awarded the prestigious University Scholar Award from Western Carolina University. He is a former member of St. David's.

For the Friday night concert, Brad will perform works by J.S. Bach, Jean Baptiste Loeillet, John Stevens and Henry Purcell. He will be accompanied by Lillian Pearson on the organ.

Childcare will be provided for the concert and refreshments will follow in the parish hall. Parishioners are urged to invite their friends for this special concert.

On **Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 3 to 6:30 pm**, current members, former members, and friends will gather for fellowship, fun, and food at the church. We will be entertained first by Eric and Norma Hendrix with their unique music and energy. The children will then perform a play entitled *Our Church* written for the occasion by Newton Smith. The staging is similar to Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*. The part of the stage manager will be played by none other than St. David himself! After the play, we will enjoy a feast of barbeque prepared by Michael Despeaux with side dishes courtesy of other church members.

On **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**, at 11 am, the service of Holy Eucharist will feature hymns from Michael's *Songs for the Cycle* and reflections by church members on the meaning of Michael's ministry for them. Special music will include Gael Graham conducting St. David's *Jubilate Deo*, and Charles Pringle, our former verger, singing a beloved Welsh hymn. Nan Watkins, who joined the ranks of St. David's organists in September 1992, will serve as organist.

The members of the Celebration Committee hope that all current members, former members, and friends of St. David's will join us for this very special occasion that will send us off for the next 100 years of St. David's ministry in Cullowhee valley.

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## Finalizing the Preparations

June Smith and Margot Wilcox, co-chairpersons for planning *The Grand Celebration*, are making sure every detail is covered for the festivities next week. To that end, here are several requests for help:

Does anyone have a "pop-up" style tent like those you see in use at craft fairs (that do not have guy wires you can trip over)? This would be set up in the parking lot on Saturday for a beverage station. [mufflyons@gmail.com](mailto:mufflyons@gmail.com)

A few volunteers are needed to help take down tables and put away chairs on Saturday to make the Parish Hall ready for Sunday morning Coffee Hour. [graciadickson@yahoo.com](mailto:graciadickson@yahoo.com)

Volunteers are also needed to help direct traffic each day and to help shuttle people from the baseball field parking lot up to the church as needed.

A MAC laptop will be set up to show a slideshow; might anyone have a monitor or larger compatible screen that could be used to show this? (The Parish Hall TV was zapped by lightning.)

For those interested, here is a link for a sneak peek at the photo collection being assembled: New additions are being made daily.

[St. D's Photo Collection](#)

## Coming in October

### Remembering The Protestant Reformation

Many events occurred in 1517.

However, the primary event that, at that time and including the present, has continued to have significant impact upon our world was The Protestant Reformation.

All Saints Day - October 31, 2017 - will mark the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing of his 95 Theses upon the church door in Wittenberg, Germany - the galvanizing event that has historically been celebrated as initiating the Protestant Reformation across Europe and the British Isles.

St. David's vestry has approved a five-week Sunday morning study for persons interested in commemorating this significant period in world and church history, and exploring in a class/discussion format the seismic force of The Protestant Reformation - in the 16th century as well as its continuing impact to our present day.

The class sessions will meet upstairs over the Parish Hall on each of the five Sundays in October (1,8,15,22, and 29) from 10 am - 10:45 am- adjourning prior to the 11 am Sunday worship hour.

The course leader will be Paul Cooper.

A sign-up sheet will soon be posted on the Parish Hall bulletin board so that interested persons may sign and indicate their interest and intent to attend.

The sign-up sheet will also provide a space to indicate if there is an interest in attendees having a small resource book during the study. If sufficient persons indicate an interest, I will contact City Lights Bookstore and inquire as to their having available sufficient copies of a small book entitled, ***A Brief Introduction to The Reformation.***

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## From the Senior Warden

### Canon Augusta to Visit St. David's

By Steve Steinbrueck

Everyone is encouraged to stay after church on October 22<sup>nd</sup> when we'll have a short talk and Q&A with Canon Augusta Anderson. As Canon to the Ordinary, she is the person from the Diocese that we have been and will work most closely with during the transition. The transition will include formal discussions within the parish, compiling a "parish profile" (interpretation by a trained consultant) designed to flesh out both what we're about and what we're looking for, hiring of an interim priest, and much more. A selection/discernment committee will be formed for the express purpose of reviewing candidates and then making a recommendation to the Vestry. Most of these activities become visible after Michael's retirement at the end of December.

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**SAVE THE DATE**

Our fall wine event will be held in the Parish Hall on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30 pm. As always, we'll need help setting up that morning, doing food prep beginning around 5, and cleaning up after all the fun.

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### An Appeal from June Smith

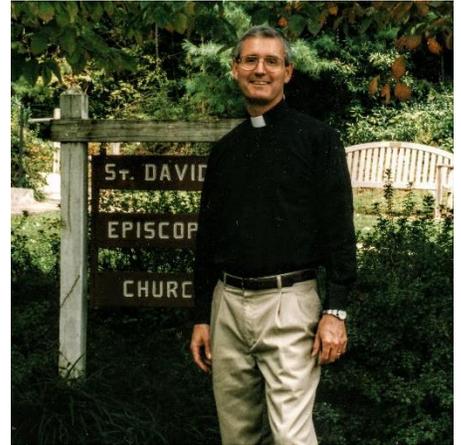
If you are a current or former member of St. David's and have ever served as Senior Warden of the Vestry, will you kindly email June Smith with the dates you served? [junesmith41@gmail.com](mailto:junesmith41@gmail.com). Many thanks!

## St. David's Timeline

By June Smith

August 30, 1992

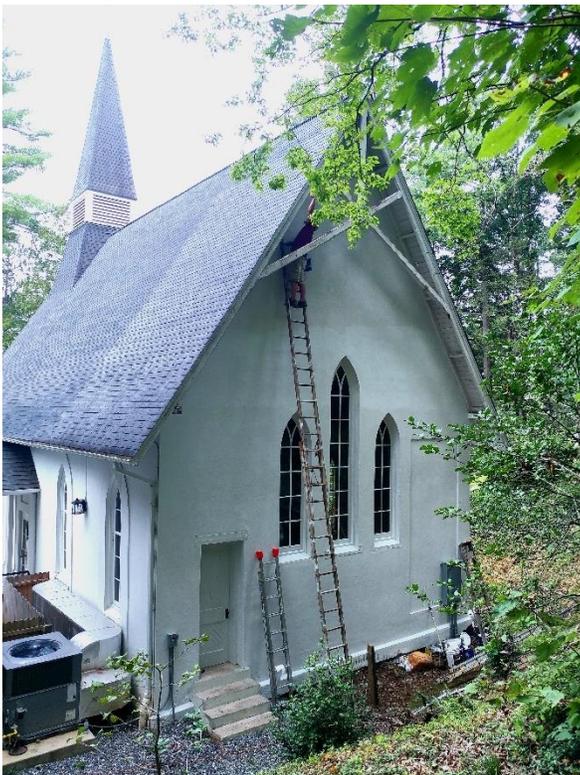
After another parish profile and a diligent search, the vestry called the Rev. Michael Vincent Hudson to become its third full-time rector. The only two members currently at St. David's from that search committee are Tom Wilcox and Newt Smith. Michael suggested we combine his institution with the 100<sup>th</sup> celebration of the consecration of St. David's, which we did. Over 100 parishioners and friends attended the joyous event, including two granddaughters of Thomas Cox. The sky was blue, and the air was electric with excitement. Music and storytelling on Friday and Saturday nights preceded the Sunday service, and a sit-down dinner followed it. Bishop Robert H. Johnson, always smiling, read the Letter of Institution and preached. Lillian Pearson, Brad Ulrich, Caroline Ulrich, Patrick Montague, Alicia Kirwan, Emmett Kirwan and Courtney Smith provided special music for the weekend. The St. David's banner that hangs in the front of the church was designed and fabricated by Betty Lynn Kirwan. The banner was presented and blessed by the bishop. June Smith and Margot Wilcox were co-chairperson of the Centennial Committee. Twenty-five years later, we are ready to celebrate again!



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## Fresh Paint!

Thanks to Junior Warden Muff Lyons' efforts, the back and cemetery side of the church got a fresh coat of paint this week. This portion of the church was not painted when the rest of the church and Parish Hall were, due to financial considerations.



# Parish News & Notes

## Birthdays

Sep 10 **Muff Lyons**  
Sep 16 **Jim Bowles**  
Sep 17 **Emmett Kirwan**

**Joy in the morning!**



## Follow up From Last Week

These are the outfits referred to in the certificates published in last week's edition in which Margot and Tom Wilcox were noted to be "most regally attired" and "most bardishly attired". Margot says though, "I think anyone who dressed in costume was eligible for such a certificate, if they paid the tariff. Michael was selling indulgences for all sorts of things (decadent clothing, eating good food, drinking spirits, etc.) because it was Lent — and Martin Luther was rolling in his grave, I'm sure! All for a good cause, however!!"

## 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.

<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	

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[Altar Guild Schedule 2017](#)

[2017 Greeter Schedule](#)

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