

The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



January 15, 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	Jan 14	Memorial Service for Alice Mason 2 pm
Sun	Jan 15	Epiphany 2
Tue	Jan 17	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Jan 22	Epiphany 3
Sun	Jan 29	Epiphany 4, Soup & Bread Supper 5 pm
Sat	Feb 4	Monthly Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Feb 5	Epiphany 5
Tue	Feb 7	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Feb 12	Epiphany 6 Rice & Beans Sunday
Sun	Feb 19	Epiphany 7
Tue	Feb 21	Accessible Mindfulness 10 am
Sun	Feb 26	Epiphany 8, Soup & Bread Supper 5 pm
Wed	Mar 1	St. David's Day

Childcare is available during the church service.

Serving this Sunday

Chalice:

Reader: Muff Lyons

Coffee:

Music: Lillian Pearson

Readings: [Isaiah 49:1-7](#), [1 Corinthians 1:1-9](#), [John 1:29-42](#), [Psalm 40:1-12](#)

Serving during January

Bread: John Slater

Flowers: Margot Wilcox

Linen: Faye Jacobson

Eucharist: Gracia Slater & Margot Wilcox

Greeters: Jake Jacobson & Muff Lyons

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.

Regular Activities

Mondays 7:25 am

Mondays 9-10:30 am

Mondays 10:30 am

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6 am

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

1st Saturdays 10 am

Last Sundays 5-7 pm

Mindfulness Meditation

Centering Yoga

Cullowhee Men's Group

Sunrise Strength Flow Yoga

Accessible Mindfulness

Monthly Mindfulness

Soup/Bread Community Supper

Memorial Service for The Rev. Deacon Alice J. Mason and Reception Following

Saturday, January 14th at 2 pm

The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, presiding

Parking will be precious; please consider carpooling if possible. If you are able to walk up to the church, it would be helpful if you could park farther away in WCU parking spaces, saving the closer spaces for those who need them. Also, if you are bringing food and can drop it off early, someone will be at the church by 11 am to accept it.

Rest in peace, dear saintly Alice, our beloved deacon.

Obituary for The Rev. Deacon Alice J. Mason

The Rev. Deacon Alice J. Mason passed from this life on Thursday, December 22nd, 2016 after a four-year battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease). She was the daughter of the late Albert Mason and Edna Carey Mason. She was born in Grand Rapids, MI on August 5th, 1934, and moved to North Carolina in 1977. A grandson, Jacob Magnuson predeceased her as did her former husband, Arnold N. Magnuson, Jr.

Alice was ordained a deacon in the Episcopal Church in 1984 and served the Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina until her death. She has served at St. David's Episcopal Church in Cullowhee, NC, as a deacon since 1992. Alice was co-founder of Clean Slate, a program that provides support for women recently released from prison. She also served as a chaplain for female inmates at the Jackson County Correctional Facility and was chaplain for Harris Regional Hospital, Cherokee Hospital, and Memorial Mission Hospital.

Alice was a member of the Board of Directors of Region A Partnership For Children and the Jackson County Transit Authority. She was a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow.

She is survived by her children: Laura Lenihan (Thomas) of Taylor, MI, Elizabeth Mason of Lake Lure, NC, Arnold Magnuson III of Norfolk, VA, and Erik Magnuson (Sabrina) of Orlando, FL. She is also survived by her life partner, Nancie Wilson, of Sylva, NC and her two "fur babies," Jessie and Graycee of the home. Also surviving are her grandchildren: Matthew Lenihan of Lexington, KY, Karrie Magnuson of Mobile, AL, Colleen Kincaid (Josh) of Taylor, MI, James Vance (Hannah) of Black Mountain, NC, Caitlin Vance of Asheville, NC, Nathaniel Magnuson of Orlando, FL, and Joshua Magnuson of Orlando, FL, great-grandchildren Conner and Kadie Kincaid of Taylor, MI, and Olivia Vance of Black Mountain, NC. Also surviving is her sister, Shirley Wells (Leonard), of Grand Haven, MI.

A memorial service will be held at St. David's Episcopal Church in Cullowhee, NC, on Saturday, January 14th, 2017 at 2 pm. The Rt. Rev. José McLoughlin, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina, will officiate. Interment will be in the St. David's Cemetery.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be given to the Clean Slate Program, P.O. Box 455, Webster, NC, 28788 in Alice's memory.



The Gospel for Sunday, January 15th

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Neighbors in Need Fundraiser

Dear St. David's Members,

It is once again time for the annual fundraising dinner for Jackson Neighbors In Need. Charlie's Challenge will be held on **Saturday, January 28th, at 6 pm in the Mission and Ministry Building of First Baptist Church in Sylva**. A scrumptious dinner will again be provided by Harrah's Casino and Resort. There will be door prizes, raffle items and a cake auction. There is no charge for this event but donations are greatly appreciated as this is our main fund raiser for the year. Jackson Neighbors In Need has had a busy season to date. We have sheltered over 30 people so far-13 of this total are children. We currently have one family with 6 children. This is proving to be a more challenging time for us to find permanent housing for our folks. There is less help for this than in the past years so folks are having to stay in shelter longer so it is costing JNIN much more.

We are also helping many people with heating/electric costs. We hope all of you can come. Just RSVP to me by email (jannis@dnet.net) or by phone 586-9557. We need your support!

Thank you, Judy Annis

Soup and Bread Community Supper

St. David's Soup-and-Bread Community Supper returns to warm our hearts and bellies in 2017.

Sunday January 29th, 5-7pm



In memory of our beloved Deacon Alice Mason, donations will be accepted for Clean Slate Coalition.

As always, ALL in the community are welcome! Invite friends!

If you are planning to bring soup and/or bread, please contact Wesley Satterwhite at wesleysatterwhite@hotmail.com or (828) 200-4363. You do not have to bring soup to:

Come! Eat! Enjoy!

Circles of Hope Meal Request

St. David's Church has been asked, via Ron Robinson, the director of Circles of Hope Jackson County, to provide a meal for 20 people on January 31st. Ron and his wife, Judy, will provide the meat and one side dish, so additional sides, bread, dessert, etc. are all that is needed. Contact Ron Robinson (mountainronrobinson@gmail.com) if you can provide something for the meal.



The Dinkelmeyer Family

By Joan Byrd

Brian joined the WCU Department of Chemistry and Physics in 2001. Kelley accepted a position in the same department in 2004. She was living in Raleigh at the time, where she was friends with Ann and Chad Hallyburton; coincidentally the three of them came to Western at the start of the same semester.

Born on Long Island, Brian did his undergraduate work at SUNY-Oswego, where he was on the wrestling team. He received his PhD in organic chemistry from SUNY-Stonybrook and conducted post-graduate research at Kansas State University. Kelley, a native of Georgia, received her Bachelor's degree from Valdosta State College and her Master's in physics from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania; she then "bounced around," teaching at several different schools before coming to Cullowhee. She and Brian married in 2007.



Although they work in the same department, their offices are on separate floors of the Natural Sciences Building, and Brian observes that he "has to track Kelley down to find her." They try to avoid discussing the department at home. Today their life revolves around their daughter, Heidi, who celebrated her ninth birthday this week. Brian often coaches Heidi's soccer team, and Kelley is her Brownie Scout troop leader. Heidi enjoys skiing and snow tubing and is a member of the Dolphins, the Jackson County swim team, but she is also enthusiastic about playing Cat Pokemon. She explains she likes all her classes at school except for math, and she has a special interest in art. She also loves music and plays the dulcimer. The family has two cats, Big Eyes and McRibs, so-named because the coloring of the fur on her forehead resembles an "M."

Kelley and Brian began attending St. David's about 2008-09 and have taken part in the Rotary Club's Project Panama with liaison, Sandy Frazier. They joined St. David's in 2016. Heidi, who played the role of a star in the recent Brown Bag Christmas pageant, especially appreciated her costume because, she says, the points of the star made handy pockets for carrying things.

Parish News & Notes

Birthdays

Jan 20 **Chris Wilcox, Elliot Reisinger**
Jan 21 **Charles Pringle**

Anniversary

Jan 17 **Harry & Karen Brown**

From the Diocese



Annual Youth Ski Day February 12th Cataloochee Mountain, NC

Join us for a day of fun and celebration at Cataloochee Mountain, NC, for an Episcopal Youth Mountain Takeover! Ski/Snowboard equipment and clothing available to rent. Debbie Cox is coordinating the details for this trip. So please email her (debbie@trinityasheville.org) by February 6th with your details such as numbers of ski, snowboard, and other equipment rentals. Register and pay online [here](#).

Camp Henry Registration for 2017 is OPEN!

To register, go to
www.camphenry.net.

If you have any questions, call
Kathryn Florack at 828-475-9264 or
email camphenry@diocesewnc.org.

That is our own Emily Lamm
towards the back on the right in this
photo of Camp Counselors.



Project Panama 2017

Sandy Frazier has provided updated information regarding the Panama Journey March 24th-April 3rd. Here are links for [Project Panama 2017 Overview](#) and [Project Panama Application Form](#).



[Cullowhee Mountain Arts 2017 Workshops and Retreats](#)

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: 1st and 3rd 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** meets in the undercroft at St. John's Episcopal Church in downtown Sylva on the **2nd & 4th 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.

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