

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
BEING THE DAY OF
THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

HOPE
is alive



Saint David's

WELCOME TO  *Saint David's*
BRANDYWINE HUNDRED

ABOUT SAINT DAVID'S

Saint David's is a Christian community that believes in the power of God to transform lives and to change the world. We are open and welcoming to all – race, age, gender, and sexual orientation are NOT barriers to inclusion. We are committed to building up the justice-filled world Jesus taught his disciples to hope and live for. We believe that the Holy Spirit calls us together for prayer, study, celebration and worship. If you'd like to know more about our mission and ministry, or become a part of it, there is room for you!

GUEST INFORMATION

You are welcome in this place and community. The following information is provided to make your experience more comfortable and meaningful.

- **ACCESSIBLE RESTROOMS** are available by passing through the wooden double doors and around to the right.
- **MASKS/HAND SANITIZER** are available on tables found at entrances.
- **MASKS ARE OPTIONAL** for worship at this time.
- **A DEFIBRILLATOR** is available on the wall in the long hallway between the parish and the Day School.
- **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**, please call 911. The church's address is:
St. David's Episcopal Church, 2320 Grubb Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19810

If you are looking for a spiritual home, please speak to one of the Clergy.
They would be glad to talk with you about your journey.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP

Children bring richness to the community gathered at worship. They bring new ways of seeing familiar rituals and often show an understanding of the mystery of the sacraments lost to many adults. Children also bring movement, questions, and wonder. Their presence is essential to the vitality of the church. Here are some tried and true tidbits for parents and children:

- **COME EARLY** to get a good seat, preferably in front where children can see the action. Children (and adults!) are more likely to fidget if they can't see what's going on.
- **SHARE** your service bulletin or prayer book with young readers, and help them follow along. Even the youngest like to 'hold the book' like their parents.
- **WE UNDERSTAND THAT KIDS** are gifted noise-makers without a single thing in their hands! We welcome the sounds of children in worship.
- **IF YOUR CHILD IS HAVING A MELTDOWN**, feel free to take a break from worship. There is a rocking chair in the lobby!
- **COLORING PAGES** reflecting themes of the day are available in the display in the hallway.
- **A CHANGING STATION** in the Accessible Restroom located across from the small kitchen, by the Memorial Room. Please, ask an Usher if you need assistance.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

People have a variety of special needs, and St. David's hopes to be sensitive and responsive to them. To that end, we provide the following information:

- **COMMUNION** can be brought to you in your seat, should you have mobility issues. Please let the clergy or an usher know of your need.
- **THOSE WITH ALLERGIES:** The bread contains gluten and the wine contains alcohol. You may receive the Sacrament by receiving both, either, or neither and still receive the full spiritual benefit.
- **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are available at the Ushers' stand at the rear of the worship space.
- **GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE**
Gluten-Free Communion wafers are now available. Just let us know at the time.

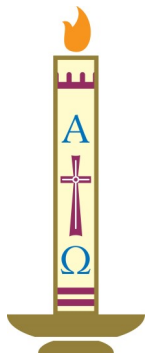
THE SEASON OF EASTER: THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS

The Season of Easter is a season of fifty days, from Easter Eve through the Day of Pentecost. From early times the Greek word pentecost (fiftieth day) was used also for the whole Paschal season. During this season there is no fasting. (Hooray!) The Council of Nicaea directed that Christians are to pray standing.

The word “alleluia” (praise the Lord) is said or sung repeatedly, which contrasts sharply with the season of Lent when the alleluia is omitted. The color of liturgical vestments and hangings is white or gold. The BCP notes that it is customary for the Paschal candle to burn at all services of the Easter season, as well as during funerals. The “Alleluia, alleluia” may be added to the dismissals and their responses during the Great Fifty Days. The traditional Christian Easter greeting (see Luke 24:34) serves as the opening acclamation at the eucharist during the Easter season.

Easter brings the return of...

THE PASCHAL CANDLE



The large candle symbolizing the risen Christ. It is lighted on Easter Evening, to remain lighted throughout the fifty days of Eastertide.

Use of the word ALLELUIA



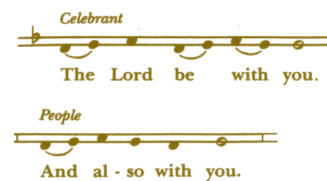
An exclamation derived from the Hebrew words meaning “Praise ye Jehovah.” It is the word of highest praise in the Christian lexicon.

Use of INCENSE



A fragrant mixture of gums, resin, and spices, burned ceremonially in services of worship. It symbolizes sanctification, holiness, and our prayers rising up to God.

CHANTING the liturgy



The musical recitation of parts of the service such as the Sursum Corda.

Before Worship...

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Prayer before worship

Living Lord, you meet me in unexpected places
and surprise me with the abundance of your love.
Feed me by your Word and fill me with your Spirit
so that I may follow you this day, and always;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.
Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

O God of light,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
restore my sight,
that in these words of Scripture and sermon
I may see Christ,
in whose name I pray.
Amen.



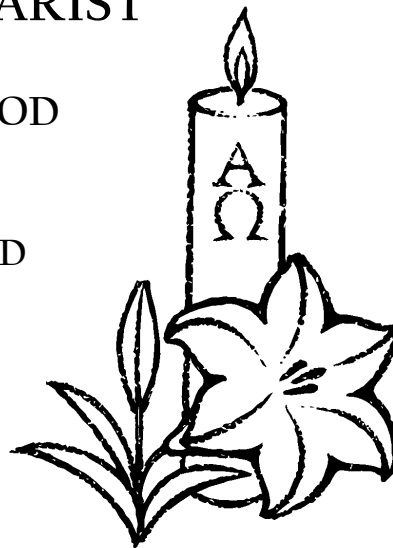
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF GOD

*The ministers of the Liturgy gather at the entrance.
The People stand, as able.
The Celebrant says or sings.*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!



GLORIA

Gloria to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-
migh - ty God and Fa-ther, We wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have

mer-cy on us; You are seat-ed at the
right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our pray'r, re-
ceive, re-ceive our pray'r.
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus
Christ with the Ho-ly Spir-it in the glo-ry of God the
Fa-ther. A-men. A-men.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Paul's conversion, baptism, and preaching

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

Exaltabo te, Domine

- 1 I will exalt you, O GOD,
because you have lifted me up
and have not let my enemies triumph over me .
- 2 O GOD my God, I cried out to you,
and you restored me to health .

3 You brought me up, O GOD, from the dead;
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave .
4 **Sing to GOD, you servants of his;**
give thanks for the remembrance of GOD's holiness .

5 For GOD's wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,
GOD's favor for a lifetime .
6 **Weeping may spend the night,**
but joy comes in the morning .

7
7 While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed.
You, GOD, with your favor,
made me as strong as the mountains."
8 **Then you hid your face,**
and I was filled with fear .

9 I cried to you, O GOD;
I pleaded with GOD, saying,
10 **"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?**
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

11 Hear, O GOD, and have mercy upon me;
O GOD, be my helper."
12 **You have turned my wailing into dancing;**
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy .

13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O GOD my God, I will give you thanks for ever .

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 5:11-14

The song of the living creatures to the Lamb

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Following the reading...

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SONG

Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The People remain standing while the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying...

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Following the reading...

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

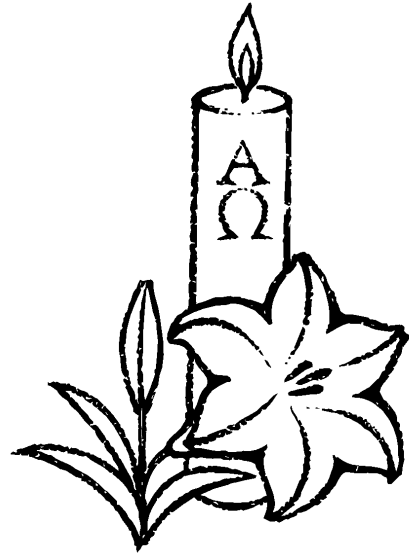
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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father,
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, Kevin,
the Bishop of Delaware; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Pause

For _____.
For those that have requested our Prayers, especially: _____.
Hear us Lord:
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Pause

For those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week, especially: _____.
We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom,

Pause

We especially remember: _____.
Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable collect.

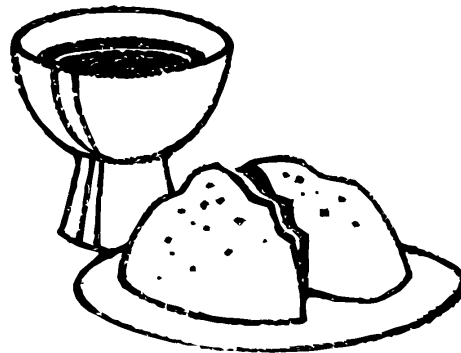
THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY

Gifts of canned goods, food staples, paper products and cleaning supplies may be placed in the large basket in front of the altar. This offering is delivered to the Claymont Community Center Food Pantry to be distributed to those in need.

OFFERTORY SONG

This is the feast

Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

1 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]
 2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]
 3 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]

Final Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

When the Holy Table has been prepared the Celebrant faces the People and sings or says...

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by this rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all of your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

The Disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Antiphon
Cantor, then all

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus

Fine

in the break - ing of the bread.

Verses

1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu - ia,

2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu - ia,

is the com - mun - ion of the Bo - dy of Christ.
for though ma - ny we share one bread.

to Antiphon

*When you arrive at the altar, you may stand or kneel.
You may also receive the Bread only or only the wine, with arms folded over your chest
to indicate which element you do not want to take.
Please reserve altar rail area for those who need assistance kneeling.*

SONG DURING COMMUNION (We sing together)

Beloved, let us love one another

Be - lov-ed, let us love one a - noth-er.

For love is of God and ev-ery-one that lov-eth is born of God and

know-eth God. He that loveth not know-eth not God, for God is love.

Be - lov-ed, let us love one a - noth-er.

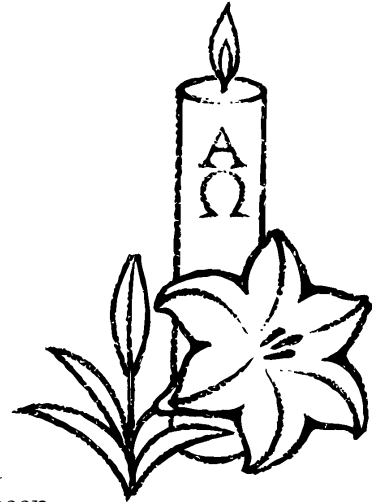
SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *(as needed)*

In the name of God and Saint David's, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are One Body, because we all share One Bread, One Cup.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.



EASTER BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep,
through the power of the everlasting covenant: Make you
perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you
that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God:
Father, Son, ✠ and Holy Spirit be with you now and always.
Amen.

SONG

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!



Today is the day of the Parish Annual Meeting.
 All guests are welcome to join us for the potluck
 following this one worship service.

The Annual Meeting follows for all members.

During the week...

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Questions for Reflection

Jesus chose Peter, who had denied him in his hour of need, to tend his sheep and build his church. He chose Paul, who had persecuted Jesus' followers, to proclaim the good news of the gospel. Can anything separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ? What has Jesus chosen and called you to do?

Morning Devotion

Lord Jesus Christ,
as you met your disciples
just after daybreak on the beach,
meet us at the dawning of this new day.
As you filled their nets with fish,
fill our lives with love and grace,
more than we can ask or imagine.
In your holy name we pray.
Amen.

Evening Devotion

Gracious God, we praise you
for the blessing of this day
and the promise of tomorrow.
Be our helper as the night falls
and our joy when the morning comes;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Resources for today's liturgy

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

These announcements keep everyone up-to-date on the happenings in and around the parish.

Please take the bulletin home with you for your reference.

We purposefully print enough for this very reason.

Summer 2025 Camp Arrowhead

Summer 2025 promotional and registration information is available on the table in the narthex. Grab a brochure and check out the possibilities this summer holds.

Have You Visited Saint David's Social Media?

Take a look at the Saint David's Wilmington Brandywine Hundred Facebook pages, 'like' & comment, and also check out our Instagram. It helps the parish become more visible to the larger community. It posts upcoming events, inspirational thoughts, Bible verses, Theological Musings, and humorous things about church life.

Hospitality Sponsor Opportunities for the Summer

New Hospitality Sponsor slots are now available for the summer months. The amount is \$30 and requires no time on your part, as the Hospitality Guild will take care of everything. Simply sign-up on the parish website. Many thanks!

Literacy Delaware

Have you ever considered tutoring? Literacy Delaware (<https://literacydelaware.org>) offers opportunities to tutor adults in ESL (English as a second language). You can tutor one-on-one or a class, remotely or in-person. I have been running a small "conversation class" where up to 6 learners read a passage, answer questions and do exercises. Unsurprisingly, there are more prospective students than tutors, so if you may be interested, visit their website or let me know and I can provide more details. Steve Hutt sjhutt@comcast.net

St. David's Outreach is Selling PRIDE T-Shirts

The St. David's Outreach Committee is selling T-Shirts to promote awareness that God's love is for all – including those within the LGBTQIA Community AND to raise funds for Orgullo Delaware. Orgullo Delaware is an organization working here in Northern Delaware primarily with LGBTQIA -identified Latines and their families to help them find the resources and help they need to live their wholehearted lives without fear. The T-Shirt is designed with the pride flag and the simple words – "God Is Love". If you would like one, please contact Rob Carver at rcarver@pfracp.org. Shirts are \$25 each. If paying by check, please make it payable to St. David's (with a note for



T-Shirt in the memo line) and place in the offering basket on Sunday mornings or you may drop it off to the Parish Office during the week. We must have a pre-order total of 25 shirts before placing the first order, so purchase yours today! For more information and to download an order form, check the parish website: stdavidsde.church

Family Promise is Fast Approaching!

May 11 through 17! Sign-ups are now live for meal items and supplies. Family Promise has expanded their weekly capacity of families, so our hosting week is now shared with another church. Because of this sharing between churches, St. David's will only need to provide the evening meal for 3 nights – May 14, 15 & 16. Check out the Parish webpage to see what items are needed and how you can help with this important hands-on outreach project to the community.

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The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware at the Blue Rocks! The Force is Strong With Us! Friday, June 20th

Holy Obi-Wan Kenobi!

Get ready for an out-of-this-galaxy evening as we gather for a fun-filled night of baseball, fellowship, food, and fireworks at Blue Rocks Star Wars Night! This isn't just any baseball game — it's a home run of a diocesan community event with a little intergalactic flair.

Whether you're a die-hard baseball fan, a Star Wars enthusiast, or just in it for the fellowship, food, and fireworks, this is a night you won't want to miss!

This is also the perfect opportunity to bring our church community together! — families, youth groups, choir members, friends — and make it a night of fellowship, fun, and connection. Let's fill the stands with Episcopal spirit!

Here's What's in Store

Picnic at the Dogfish Head Off-Center Fan Deck, 6–7:30pm – Chow down on ballpark favorites (food, soda, water included in ticket price) with fellow Episcopalians from across the state and friends old and new. *Because nothing says community like a hot dog and a side of fellowship!*

Bishop's First Pitch, 6:35pm – Watch as our very own Bishop Brown steps up to the mound to throw the ceremonial first pitch. Will it be a strike? Will the Force be with him? There's only one way to find out!

Our Diocese is in the Game! – Be there as we celebrate the debut of our brand-new diocesan outfield sign, a visible reminder that faith and fellowship belong everywhere — even at the ballpark!

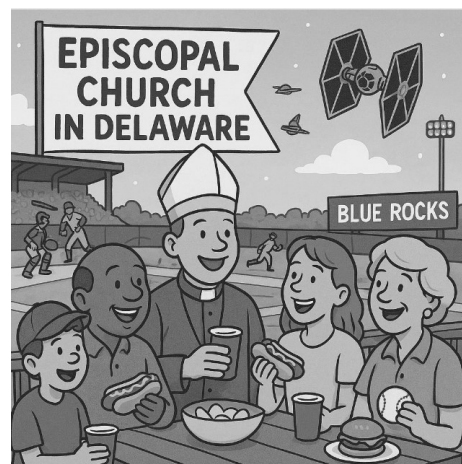
A Star Wars-Themed Ballgame – Embrace the night's theme — you never know who (or what) might show up!

Post-Game Fireworks Spectacular – Stay after the final inning for a dazzling fireworks show that will light up the night sky — no Death Star required!

So grab your lightsaber (or foam finger), bring your best ballpark spirit, and join us for an unforgettable evening at the ballpark!

Even if you don't know a fastball from a foul ball, this night is for you! Come for the fellowship, the food, the fireworks — and a whole lot of fun! May the Fellowship Be With You! See You at the Ballpark!

Grab a flyer for registration info!



We keep these people in our prayers and in our hearts...

Carron Ingham	James Khan	Linda Frederick	Kate Manion
Carolyn Luttrell	Emily Gibson	Tom Flanagan	Peter Drake
Sheila Coffin	Terry Doll	Marie Seiler	Ginny Pool
John Van-Catledge	Maureen Brickley	Maddox James	Baby Legend
Jimmy Myers	Lori Wentzel	Slawson	Linda Stellenberg
Dick Mickles	Richard Crossan	Sam Bell	Barbara Watson
Pete Winnington	Lorraine Boker	Malahkai Mahan	Christine Beatte
Viola Walters	Matthew	Lawny Davis	
Liz Wehle	Chambers	Dan Benson	<i>Deceased</i>
Anthony Ruggiero	Deva Scheel	Ross	Joe Doran
David Payne	Patty Curlett	Ned Phillips	Marianne Canning
Kiri Snyder	Patti D.	Krisin Christensen	Pope Francis
Pauline Gently	Bret Peltier	Anna & Bill Waid	
Jane Harvey	Ron Hartmann	Ike Bauer	
The Coda Family	Marguerite Hutt	Charles Frank Manion	
Caroline Bell	Linda Hunter		
Frank Mercante	Cacky		
Don Somers	Paraskevich		

Those who serve and those who celebrate

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Janet Leishman

Eucharistic Ministers— Barb DeHaven, Anne Doberstein, and Karen Olmstead

Lectors— Jolene Baddick and Janet Leishman

Intercessor— Doreen Turner

Sacristans— Barbara Sutton, Amy Harra, Gail Palumbo, Glenda Ruggiero,
and Walt Johnson

Greeters— Marcia Brinker and Judy Byrne

Counter— Barb Emmel

Vestry member of the day— Robyn Pierce



Thank You To Those Who Served as Acolytes Today

Ushers— Bill Rhodunda and Bob Wright

Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week are—

Tom Deschaine, Sue Weimer, and Jeff Cook



DAY	TIME	EVENT/LOCATION
Today <i>The Third Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Annual Parish Meeting</i> 	9 am	Clothing Dive in the Parking Lot
	9:30 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave and Livestreamed on YouTube
	10:30 am	Potluck Lunch and Annual Parish Meeting in the Great Hall
Monday, May 5	7pm	School Board in the Memorial Room
	8pm	AA Meeting in the Great Hall
Tuesday, May 6	10am	Wisdom Seekers via Zoom
	6:30pm	Bible Study in the Memorial Room
	8pm	AA Meeting in the Great Hall
Wednesday, May 7	9:15 am	Day School Chapel in the Nave
	6 pm	Day School Staff in the Great Hall
	7 pm	Pastoral Care in the Memorial Room
Thursday, May 8	7pm	Choir Rehearsal in the Nave
	7:30pm	AA in the Memorial Room
Friday, May 9	7pm	AA Meeting in the Memorial Room
Saturday, May 10	7pm	AA Meeting in the Memorial Room
Sunday, May 11 <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Mothers' Day</i> 	8 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave
	10:15 am	Holy Eucharist in the Nave and Livestreamed on YouTube
		Hospitality Hour in the Great Hall



THIS WEEK AT SAINT DAVID'S **Bold Font = Parish Activity** Regular Font = Outside Group



Saint David's

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A Community of Disciples Passing Along God's Love to All

Staff of Saint David's

Jackie Somers, *Administrative Assistant*
Steven Weatherman, *Director of Music/Social Media*
Janet Leishman, *Day School Administrator*

Assisting Clergy at Saint David's

The Rev. David Andrews, *Priest, retired*
The Rev. Anna Waid, *Priest, retired*
The Rev. Dcn. Tom Deschaine, *Deacon, retired*

Vestry of Saint David's

Bob Rhodunda, *Sr. Warden*
Jolene Baddick, *Jr. Warden*
Barbara Emmel
Patty Curlett
Robyn Pierce
Carlene Deschaine
Deva Scheel
Steve Hutt
Bob Wright
Karen Olmstead, *Treasurer*
Janet Leishman, *Clerk*



Parish Office Hours
Mondays through Thursdays 9 am until 12 pm
Office is closed on Fridays



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