Daffodil Digest

APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dear People and Friends of St. David's Church,

I pray that you are well and hope that you are having a blessed Easter Season. We are, after all, Easter People, we Christians. We are people who follow a Risen Lord who promises us life beyond the door of death, making us the happiest and most hopeful of people.

This second edition of the Daffodil Digest focuses on some of the recent ministries and activities of our community with a special emphasis on Worship and Discipleship. We are known first and foremost for our worship of God and that is at should be. Our beautiful sanctuaries, our strong lay ministry in support of worship, our music and our preaching all speak to Christ's Call on our lives to love God through public worship.

We are also a community that values learning as a means to grow in our faith and to help others come to know God in Jesus Christ. So Discipleship, or the use of our gifts, is reflected in many of the photos you will see in this edition.

Please join me in giving thanks to God for all that He has done with us and through us over the past few months.

Grace and Peace.

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LOOKING...



The Outreach Commission gives thanks for the remarkable support demonstrated during our first annual Lenten Giving. St. David's raised a truck load of household goods for St. Mary's Food Pantry in Chester, four large bins of canned goods for the Ardmore Food Pantry, four large bags of diapers, boys socks, and underwear for Cradles to Crayons, \$300 in World Gifts, and enough materials to create 200 feminine hygiene kits for girls at our partner schools in Uganda.



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Women's Breakfast | March 19, 2016





LENTEN CHORAL CONCERT | MARCH 21, 2016

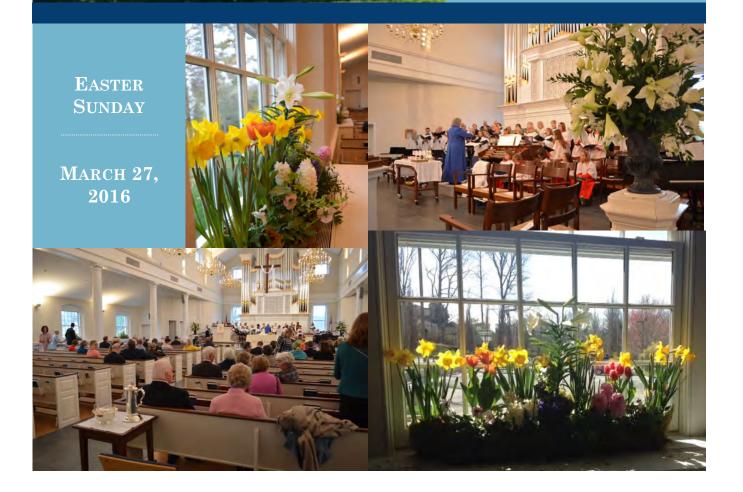




MAUNDY THURSDAY

MARCH 24, 2016





WORSHIP



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expanding its offerings in our expanded space! The Commission tries to plan with three tenets of contemplative prayer opportunities (including quiet days Studies) to meet these tenets. Please visit the information and for updated resources, as they are too vast for this article. Rather here is a summary of a few of our staples: Every Sunday, in addition to coffee hour, there is a Bible Study and an Adult Forum, the topics for which, support and enhance our theme: Christ is Calling. brightest developments which grew out of our mutual care for each other is the Parish Breakfast on the first Sunday of every month. The response to this has been amazing and while Discipleship cannot take the credit, it has tried to assure a formational element on these Sundays. In the future you may look for more interviews by the Rector at these gatherings.



The other very new "look" for which Discipleship is responsible is the DOVE! We have moved to a more literary/meditation journal format and have received a great response, including very constructive suggestions. And finally, for now, Discipleship would like to make sure you are all aware of the Wednesday evening adult learning opportunities in our Eat, Learn, Pray. After being well fed by Michael Tucker and crew we have enjoyed a wide array of programs which make for a wonderful and enriching mid-week formational experience.



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THANK YOU TO THESE OUTGOING VESTRY MEMBERS!



Dick Bauer has brought his business acumen, his long-time membership and a deep love of St. David's to his service on the Vestry. Dick has served faithfully on the Discipleship and the Pastoral Care Commissions, bringing patience and insight and hard work to two important areas of our common life. Dick has also been an effective member of our Strategic Planning Group. Dick has a special ability for listening with one ear open to the group he is working with and one ear open to God to help lead us in our growing ministries. His friendship with everyone on the Vestry and his kindness have been a welcome gift to our common life.



Rob Hastings brings a life-time involvement in the Episcopal Church and a wide business experience to the Vestry. He has served on both the Worship and Property Commissions. On Worship, Rob has helped coordinate the many ministries that lead to our beautiful worship and was involved in the various liturgies we used for our 300th anniversary celebrations. In Property, Rob has been involved with our most recent construction and the planning for the future of our grounds to keep them beautiful and the treasure that they are. Rob's gentle leadership and good humor have buoyed us in so many ways and for that and much more we are thankful.



Rob Kathol has brought and energy and longer term vision to all of the work of the Vestry. Rob serves on the Family Ministry Commission helping to develop programs for our children and youth. Rob has also led our Strategic Planning Task Force which is developing a long term vision for St. David's. The parish will have an opportunity for comment and involvement at the annual meeting. Rob's tireless work and energy, his love for St. David's and our mission, and his zest for life and energy have been tremendous assets to the life and mission of our church.



Karen Miller is a long-time member of St. David's who has served in many ministries and activities of the church, including our Discipleship and Fellowship Commissions. When Karen came on the Vestry, she had a vision for building up the arts as an important part of growing in our faith. The result has been the Arts of Faith programs that have allowed local artists and St. David's artists to create and show their inspirations at St. David's and in the community. The richness of the programs have fed many in their faith and welcomed new people to our church. Karen's grace and goodness and hard work have touched all of us.

VESTRY NOMINEES



Sandy Arnold and her husband, Jamie, joined St. David's in 1987. Their children Geoff (28), Susy (26) and Matt (23) were baptized and confirmed here.

Sandy is thankful for the opportunities she has had to serve in many ways at St. David's. During their children's school years, she helped with the children's choir, Sunday school, youth group and served on the Confirmation Task Force. From 1998 to 2002 Sandy and Jamie coordinated and led the Acolytes and served on the Worship Commission.

Sandy has served on the Pastoral Care Commission since 2011. She coordinates and drives for the Driving Angels ministry, is a Eucharistic Visitor and delivers holiday flowers. She helps with the feeding ministry at St. John's in Norristown, sews for project Ensonga, and helps where needed at the fair.



Janet Helms joined St. David's in 2013. She previously attended churches of the Lutheran, Presbyterian and Universalist Unitarian denominations and has finally found a "home" at St. David's. The St. David's community is a source of great joy to her.

Janet has participated in various Education & Discipleship Programs, such as Alpha and Renovare, as well as Pastoral Care Programs, including Stephen Ministry and Walking the Mourners' Path. She serves on St. David's Finance Commission, is a recent addition to the Ushering teams, has begun to attend Endre's excellent Exercise in Faith classes on Saturday mornings, has volunteered at the Book Tent during the St. David's Fair and, on an as needed basis, volunteers for the Gift Shop.

Janet holds an undergraduate degree in Economics and Business from Lafayette College and a MBA, with a concentration in Financial Management, from Drexel University. Over a 38 year career, she has gained experience in commercial banking, technology and real estate fields. Currently, she is employed as a Vice President of Commercial Lending by Beneficial Bank

Janet, and her Partner of 19 years, have three, four-legged "daughters", 2 Birman kitties and a Goldendoodle, each of whom have been blessed by St. David's clergy! They also have two grandsons, Otis and August, who fill their hearts and are the joys of their lives. Janet resides in Wayne, PA.



Rick Herman joined St. David's in 2015 after moving to Berwyn. He was previously a member of The Church of the Redeemer in Bryn Mawr which he joined with his family when they lived in Wynnewood. Rick had attended St. David's services occasionally for several years, and when he moved decided that not only is it closer and his family has several friends at our church, he wanted to hear more of Frank's sermons.

Rick has been active in the Men's group and the Tuesday morning Bible study. He and his wife Aya have enjoyed Amy's yoga class. They have two daughters. Julia (17) is a senior at Conestoga and Nina (15) is a sophomore. Incidentally, Julia was confirmed at St. David's due to a timing conflict at Redeemer.

After being active in a Christian youth group in college, Rick went on mission in Japan for a year and a half after graduation. He taught English in five churches which introduced Japanese to Christianity. At Redeemer, Rick started the Dads group which organized over 80 dads and kids to attend camping and ski trips and help with various service projects. He was also a member of the Investment Committee, Rector Search Committee and a representative to the diocesan convention.

Rick is a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder and the Director of Portfolio Management at Stillwater Capital Advisors in Wayne. He is past President of the CFA Society of Philadelphia.



John Lander's interest in serving on the vestry at St David's is no surprise to those who know him well. His family for decades have been faithful servants of the Episcopal Church. John's maternal grandfather, Father Bomberger was the rector at Holy Apostles in West Philadelphia for 20 years. His paternal grandfather, Father Lander was the rector at the Good Sheppard in Rosemont and a minister there for 32 years. John sang in the choir for 11 of those years and brings a nice voice to our congregation. He was raised in Villanova and attended Episcopal Academy then Randolph Macon College in Virginia. Both schools benefited from a great soccer player and a born leader. He was captain of both teams.

John travels a great deal for Tootsie-Roll Industries and Barbara, his wife, works regionally. However, you will rarely come to a 9:15 Sunday service when they are both not there. Barbara sings in the choir and John is an usher. They have been members of St. David's Church for the last 11 years and 3 of their 5 children were confirmed here. John and his son have also found time over the last few years to make breakfasts at St. Augustine Church in Norristown which has been fulfilling and a time for bonding with his one son. Service and the Episcopal Church are in his blood.



Participating in the career mentoring outreach program in 2000, **Tim Phelps** began his initial involvement with St. David's first as a community member. In 2005 with their birth of their daughter Anna, Mindy and Tim knew how important Christian education was to their lives, they chose to have her baptized at St. David's. As Anna entered into preschool, Tim became more involved with the Church as a Sunday school teacher and a vacation bible school volunteer. As Tim's participation grew in men's fellowship and Hammer and Nails so did his faith. In 2012 with Mindy's diagnosis, Tim recognized the compassion and love that the St. David's Church provided and knew this was his Christian home. In a quiet ceremony at the Church with Anna by their side, Mindy and Tim renewed their vows in 2013. He is proud to have Lida and Ray Shetzline as his in-laws.

Currently, Tim serves as the Chair of the Men's Fellowship, a member of the Strategic Planning Committee and an active member of the feeding ministry.

Tim is the Executive Director of The Transportation Management Association of Chester County; providing alternative transportation solutions for companies. For the past 7 years, Tim has been an appointed member of the Commonwealth's Early Learning Investment Commission. Tim is a graduate of the Wm. Penn Charter School and Juniata College.

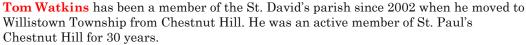


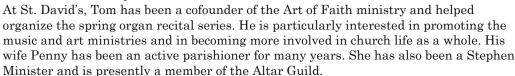
Susan Scuazzo grew up in Ardmore at St. Mary's Episcopal Church where she developed her faith and her appreciation for the fellowship that comes with a dynamic church community. When Susan, her husband Bennet, and their son Vincent moved back to the area from the Midwest in 2004, Susan sought a church for her family and they happily decided upon St David's, where Vincent was baptized.

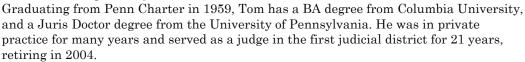
Susan's first ministry at St. David's was with Hospitality and she served at coffee hour for seven years, getting to know many wonderful women volunteers. After Hospitality came a commitment to Altar Guild and Susan was delighted by the opportunity to expand her understanding of the details of preparing for a service while becoming closer in fellowship to more St. David's members and staff.

As a fundraising professional for over 25 years, Susan was able to bring her professional skills to her role as co-chair of Stewardship with Jack Lord and then Jonesy Lerch, helping to implement strategies that strengthened the foundation of stewardship at St. David's, in advance of the Raising the Roof campaign.

When asked to consider candidacy for the vestry, Susan concluded that this is an especially interesting time at St. David's, having come to the brink of significant change, and seeing the congregation come together in meaningful discussion over the implications of change. These circumstances revealed the great strength within St. David's and the potential to harness this strength and significantly affect our abilities to make Christ known to others.







Allison Watkins, Tom's daughter, resides in Bologna Italy and Penny has four children and 7 grandchildren residing in New York and Los Angeles.

Tom is a member of the board of the Wayne Art Center and former board member of the Delaware Valley Art League. He has been actively painting since leaving the Bench and his work is represented in collections in Philadelphia, New York, Los Angeles, and the United Kingdom. He sings with the Orpheus Club of Philadelphia.

Penny is a trustee of the Curtis Institute of Music, a board member of the Natural Lands Trust, a former board member of People's Light and Theatre, and presently serves on the Library Committee at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Penny and Tom are subscribers to the Philadelphia Orchestra and are active members of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.



MEN'S BREAKFAST SATURDAY • 4/9/16 8:00AM • ST. DAVID'S HALL

Women's Fellowship Retreat

FRIDAY, APRIL 15—SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016 IHM SPIRITUALITY CENTER

AT IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY



TRUSTING THAT YOU ARE ENOUGH

led by the Rev. Laurie Taylor Weicher

Join us for a time of retreat to journey together through the feeling of imperfection and the reality of God's love. We'll explore books by Brene Brown and Barbara Brown Taylor, take a good look at Scripture and enjoy learning from one another.

Wine © Dine Friday, April 15 | 7:00pm





Tuesday, April 19th | 7:00pm | Harrison Room Project Ensgona Kit Assembly Night

Women's Conversation Group

April 21st

Matador (110 N. Wayne Ave, Wayne) 7:00-8:30pm



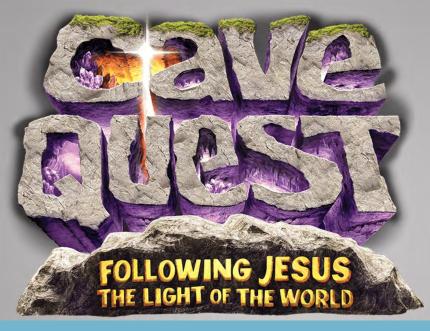


Friday, April 26 | 5:00pm | Undercroft

Please bring an appetizer, main course, salad or dessert

·Vacation Bible School

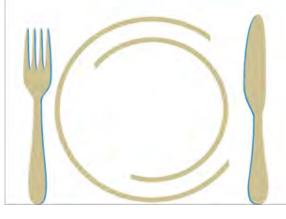
Monday, June 20—Friday, June 24 | 5:20-7:30pm



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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL-PARISH BREAKFAST and annual meeting



SUNDAY, MAY 1st 10:30am ST. DAVID'S HALL VESTRY ELECTIONS
CLICK HERE