

NOVEMBER 11 & 12, 2023
ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Love God, Love one Another

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THIS WEEKEND AT ST. DAVID'S

***PLEASE PLACE YOUR STEWARDSHIP FORM IN
THE BASKET IN THE NARTHEX. THANK YOU!***

SATURDAY:

- 5 p.m. Worship Service with 3 Baptisms
- AED and Narcan training following worship by Di Anna Little

SUNDAY:

- NO BREAKFAST THIS WEEK
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Formation - Creation Care Presentation by Judy Scherff
 - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 - 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- AED and Narcan training following worship by Di Anna Little

WHAT A GREAT GAME DAY BREAKFAST LAST WEEK!





Beloved in Christ,

Our All Saints' worship services were a beautiful reminder of the impact loved ones continue to have in our lives. What we love about them has taken root in our hearts and souls, often long after they have joined the great cloud of witnesses.

I am happy to share how the love of Sandra and Larry French has taken root in this parish and will have a long-lasting effect. Sandra and Larry loved St. David's and shared a special fondness for our outdoor spaces, including the Churchyard. We recently received the proceeds of a bequest Sandra and Larry made to the church through their estate plans. The vestry has directed the gift - \$100,000 - to be used for outdoor landscaping and enhancements. This could include creating Creation Care areas similar to Bethany Gardens.

A buildings and grounds committee has been created with the idea that it will "outlive" junior warden turnover. It is chaired by Alan Fries and Christie Wediking. The group will divide into two subgroups with a focus on the outdoors or the inside of the church. Christie has a special interest in Creation Care and is creating a **St. David's Green Team**. **If you are interested in joining the groups, please contact Alan or Christie.** The sub-committees will create long-range plans for the buildings and grounds, so new vestries and junior wardens do not need to re-create the wheel annually. As part of that work, significant time will be put into the creation of an outdoor plan including a timeline, to honor the spirit behind Larry and Sandra's contribution.

This weekend, my sermon will focus on the parable of the Ten Virgins. So often, the theme of this passage from scripture is believed to be "preparedness." I see it a different way, however and look forward to our conversation around the idea of being present.

All blessings!

Mother Doreen+

A special thank you to our Stewardship speakers. Your sharing your connections to St. David's has been touching, funny, and meaningful. It is especially moving that speakers include one of our oldest members and one of our youngest!

IN-GATHERING SUNDAY WITH LUNCH WILL BE NOV. 26!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH NEWS!

From Chris and Jenny

Sunday, November 12th: Mother Doreen is going to lead the lesson and develop a devotional from Psalm 63:1 - 8 with the class that will be a part of a Minster Advent Devotional to be distributed throughout the Diocese. See the Psalm below.

Sunday, November 19th: Assign and begin working on the readings for Lessons and Carols on December 10th.

Sunday, November 26th and December 3rd: Practice reading for Lessons and Carols.

Sunday, December 10th: Lessons and Carols during the 10:30 a.m. service. Youth will sing and serve as lectors.

Sunday, December 17th: Practice for the Christmas Pageant.

Saturday, December 23rd: Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Sunday, December 24th: Christmas Pageant at the 5 p.m. service.

Youth Group:

Thank you to everyone for your participation in the St. David's Trunk or Treat! It was a tremendous turnout and it was amazing that we served/provided for so many families. Thank you for your donations, time, and good spirit in the name of reaching out to others.

Saturday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. We will have a Youth Group event at St. David's that will have Advent and/or Christmas Ornaments, holiday movies, food, and fun. We will send out more details as it gets closer but want you to be able to get this on your calendar.

Psalm 63:1-8

¹O God, you are my God; I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
²So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.
³Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.
⁴So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.
⁵My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,^[a]
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips
⁶when I think of you on my bed
and meditate on you in the watches of the night,
⁷for you have been my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.
⁸My soul clings to you;
your right hand upholds me.

SAVE THE DATES!

INTERFAITH OF TOPEKA ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION - NOVEMBER 19 AT 6:30 P.M.

Temple Beth Shalom
4200 SW Munson
Speakers, music, and refreshments

IN-GATHERING SUNDAY WITH LUNCH - NOVEMBER 26 AT 11:30 A.M.

LESSONS AND CAROLS - DECEMBER 10 AT 10:30 A.M.

Children will be the lectors for Lessons and Carols.
All children are invited and welcome to participate!
Let Chris, Jenny, or Mother Doreen know if your child and grandchild would like
to be a part of Lessons and Carols.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE - DECEMBER 17 AT 4 P.M.

This service is designed for those experiencing grief or loss this holiday season.

CHRISTMAS EVE

5 p.m.. Holy Eucharist and the children's pageant
10 p.m. Carol singing with Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

ANNUAL MEETING - JANUARY 21 FOLLOWING THE 10:30 A.M. SERVICE

Interested in serving on vestry? Please see Courtney, Meredith, or Dennis.

ADULT FORUM CALENDAR THROUGH DECEMBER

Many thanks to Lynda Crowl for putting this schedule together. We welcome anyone who would like to lead an adult forum discussion and we welcome topic suggestions! Adult Forum meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

November 12	Creation Care - Judy Scherff
November 19	<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i> - Small group study
November 26	<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i> - Small group study
December 3	Bishop's visit - No adult formation
December 10	<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i> - Small group study
December 17	<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i> - Small group study

During Adult Formation on October 29th, we finished the study of Exodus from which most of our Old Testament readings have come recently. A big thanks to Deb Welch who led the Exodus study. Judy Scherff will present on Creation Care on November 12. Starting November 19 we will begin the study of *The Redemption of Scrooge* by Matt Rawls. Copies of the book are in the narthex. (On December 3rd, Bishop Cathleen will visit us, and we will have the Coffee and Conversation with the Bishop at 9:30 during Adult Formation time.)

MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 11 & 12

https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Pentecost/AProp27_RCL.html

Altar Guild:	Sat-Mary Ann Satterthwaite/Sun-Mary Jo Jackson, Kathy Fries, Alan Fries, Meredith Williard, April Holman, Mary Howell
Greeter:	Eva Brown
Ushers:	Bill Newman, Dennis Hodgins
Sanctus Bells:	Kynlee Adams
Crucifer:	DJ Holman
Lectors:	Sat-Diane Bernheimer/Larry Buening, Kirsten Book
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sat-George Bernheimer/Sun-Meredith Williard, Larry Buening
Offering Counters:	Bill Newman, Mike Homan
Dir. of Digital Ministers:	Bryan Irvine
AV Technicians:	Sat-Bryan Irvine/Sun-Roger Byler, Laura Oldham, Jason Oldham
Musician:	Susan Farmer / Director of Music: Kristi Baker-Lampe DMA
Nursery Provider:	Nyckie McKnight
Altar Flower Donors:	Jason and Laura Oldham

MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 18 & 19

https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Pentecost/AProp28_RCL.html

Altar Guild:	Sat-Judy Salmon/Sun-Christie Wedeking, Ronda Hoss, Karen Clowers, Allison Malmstrom, Amy Bauer
Greeter:	Frank Golos
Ushers:	Madilyn Typer, Jim Lampe
Sanctus Bells:	Axton, Typer
Crucifer:	Maddy Bauer
Lectors:	Sat-Scott Satterthwaite/Sun-Pat Cress, Kynlee Adams
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sat-Amy DuPuis/Sun-Mary Howell, Jenny Typer
Offering Counters:	Don Beymer, Gary LaShell
Dir. Of Digital Ministers:	Bryan Irvine
AV Technicians:	Sat-Bryan Irvine/Sun-Roger Byler, Jim Lampe, Alan Fries
Director of Music:	Kristi Baker-Lampe, DMA
Musicians:	Kirsten and Dana Book/St. David's Choir
Nursery Provider:	Nyckie McKnight

FOR OUR LECTORS - CLICK BELOW
FOR SCRIPTURE PRONUNCIATION HELP!

[Click here for a bible pronunciation guide](#)

VESTRY NEWS AND MEETING MINUTES

If you have questions about St. David's finances, please email treasurer Deb McGlohon at deb.mcglohon@cox.net. Vestry minutes are posted in the hallway on the vestry bulletin board. Vestry meetings are open and everyone is welcome to attend. Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. in the conference room.

This information is a bit later than usual due to a change in the vestry meeting schedule. The vestry now meets during the first week of month rather than the 4th week of the month - so typically one week later than in the past. Once the vestry has met and approved the financial information, it is then provided in the ATT as soon as possible.

Operating Fund	YTD Sep 2023	YTD Budget
Total Operating Revenue (including pledges)	\$ 273,255	\$ 242,621
Total Operating Expense	309,891	276,917
Net Operating Income	<u>\$ (36,636)</u>	<u>\$ (34,296)</u>

Our YTD pledge and plate offering revenue is down for the month of September, but is still slightly higher than we anticipated for YTD.

PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH TO SEE THAT YOUR PLEDGE IS UP-TO-DATE.

Budgeted transfers from the Memorial/Designated funds of \$27,186 and Building funds of \$5,000 were completed during September.

Our YTD expenses have been higher than budgeted due in large part to major repairs & maintenance costs, minor maintenance and outside grounds. These are approximately \$17,000 above budget. Programs & ministries expense is also higher than budgeted due to increased events and new items for worship.

Memorials, Designated, Endowment & Building Funds	YTD Sep 2023	YTD Budget
Revenues	\$ 141,360	\$ 21,893
Expenses	67,729	42,933
Net Income	<u>\$ 73,631</u>	<u>\$ (21,040)</u>

The YTD revenues are much higher than budgeted, mostly due to the change in value in the Endowment Fund (\$122,539). We did purchase the new piano from Designated Funds in May-this cost was offset by a very generous donation from a parishioner for half the cost of the piano. The net cost was approximately \$11,250.

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Thank you for your continued support of the parish and thanks to the 2023 vestry:

Rhonda Enneking - Senior Warden	Mike Homan - Junior Warden	Pat Coleman - Secretary
Kirsten Book	Susan Hack	Dennis Hodgins
David Marker	Lisa Satterthwaite	Courtney Stemler
Meredith Williard	Mthr. Doreen Rice - ex officio	



DOORSTEP



It's that time again...

Once again we will be using the **Paper Angel Tree** to collect gifts. All items collected will be delivered to the Christmas Store at Doorstep by **December 7th**. See instructions where the tree is set up.

Doorstep adopts 260 families each year from the United Way Christmas Bureau. We provide Christmas gifts, food, clothing and necessities to families in need. Families who register need to fall within 150 % of the 2023 poverty guidelines and are required to show proof of all sources of income.

Sharon Koepke

NOVEMBER BIN COLLECTIONS 2023

BLANKET & TOWELS FOR THE TOPEKA RESCUE MISSION

Community Ministries is collecting blankets and towels for the Rescue Mission during the month of **November**. Historically, we have had great success with this project. We are hoping to have a record breaking year this year, keeping our neighbors warm during this upcoming winter season. Thanks for your continued support.

Sharon Koepke - Doorstep Coordinator.



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Sleep in Heavenly Peace will have a build day on **Saturday, November 18, from 9 to noon**. Twenty beds will be built. Anyone interest in volunteering to help build beds may go to www.shpbeds.org to sign up. Kansas - Topeka. You may also fill out an application for beds or donate money on this website.

"No Child Sleeps on the Floor In Our Town ". This for children from 3 to 17 years of age.
If you have any questions please ask Frank or Shirley Golos

PARISH CALENDAR

- **1st Sunday:** Blood pressure clinic in the parish hall following the 10 :30 a.m. service
- **Every Monday:** EfM 6-9 p.m. in the St. Phillips Room Sept-May 27th
- **Every Tuesday:** Women's Bible Study 12:30 p.m., Al-Anon Meeting 7 - 8 p.m.
- **Every Wednesday:** Pickleball in the parish hall 1 p.m. and 3 - 5 p.m.
- **Every Thursday:** Men's Study and Fellowship 6:15 a.m.
- **3rd Thursday of the Month:** Dementia Support Group 4 p.m.
- **1st Tuesday of the Month:** Vestry Meeting at 6 p.m.
- **1st Saturday:** Fellowship reception following 5 p.m. worship
- **2nd Saturday:** Daughters of the King meeting 11 a.m.
- **Sunday Mornings:** Sunday School and Adult formation & fellowship 9:30 a.m.
- **December 3:** Bishop Bascom's parish visitation with baptisms, confirmations, receptions
- **November 11:** Baptisms at the 5 p.m. service
- **November 11 & 12:** AED and Narcan training after services
- **November 19:** Interfaith of Topeka Thanksgiving Celebration 6:30 p.m. at Beth Shalom
- **November 23 & 24:** Offices closed
- **November 25 & 26:** In-gathering weekend. Sunday worship will be followed by lunch
- **December 10:** Lessons and Carols during the 10:30 worship
- **December 24:** Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist with children's pageant 5 p.m.
- **December 24:** Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist with carol sing 10 p.m.
- **December 25:** Christmas Morning Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

November 13	Jennifer Haag, Chad Malcom
November 14	Isabella Davis, Kelsey Haag
November 17	Gabriel Davis, Kathleen Marker
November 18	Sarah Craig



HELPFUL LINKS:

Diocesan Convention 2023 Wrap-up:

<https://episcopal-ks.org/diocesan-convention-2023/>

Episcopal Diocese of Kansas:

<https://episcopal-ks.org>

Episcopal Diocese of Kansas e-Newsletter *DioLog*:

<https://episcopal-ks.org/diolog/>

Episcopal Diocese of Kansas magazine *The Harvest*:

<https://episcopal-ks.org/the-harvest/>

National Episcopal Church:

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/>