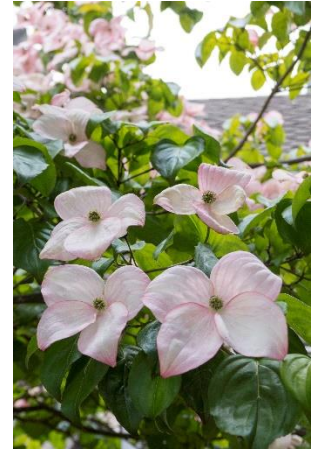




# ST DAVID OF WALES

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Shelton, WA

PARISH NEWSLETTER



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**FOUNDATIONS: HOLY BAPTISM. . . .** From p 858 of our Book of Common Prayer

**Q- What is Holy Baptism?**

A- Holy Baptism is the sacrament by which God accepts us as his children and makes us members of Christ's Body, the Church, and inheritors of the kingdom of God.

**Q- What is the outward and visible sign in Baptism?**

A- The outward and visible sign in Baptism is water in which the person is baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Q- What is the inward and spiritual grace in Baptism?**

A- The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is union with Christ in his death and resurrection, birth into God's family the church, forgiveness of sins, and new life in the Holy Spirit.

**EPISCOPAL BELIEFS AND PRACTICES - Quoted from "Walk in Love" . . . .** "The season after Pentecost encompasses all the Sundays after The Day of Pentecost until the end of the church year. This long season is also sometimes referred to as **Ordinary Time** - not because it is mundane, but because we count the Sundays using "ordinal numbers" - Second Sunday after Pentecost, Third Sunday after Pentecost, etc.

**GRATITUDE & APPRECIATION to Elinor and every person who helped in any way, shape, or form** to make our Summer Bargain Fair on June 7 and 8 a tremendous success. Your amazing efforts brought in over \$4500, which is record breaking! **Good community interactions and positive reinforcements for St. David's.** Blessings to all, Suzy Petty, Sr. Warden.

**HOW WE IDENTIFY DONATIONS TO ST. DAVID'S . . .** Our Treasurer, Laurie McClanahan, prepared the following information for St. David's Vestry when they were revising the budget. The Vestry felt it would be of value to our members when making a donation or a pledge.

***Pledge*** - Checks mailed or placed in the offertory plate from a person who has signed a pledge card.

***Pledge*** - Cash in an envelope or received in a manner that the donor can be identified and has signed a pledge card.

***Non-Pledged Gifts*** - Checks and/or cash in the mail or offertory plate from a donor that HAS NOT signed a pledge card.

***Plate*** - Cash - anonymous donation in offertory plate EXCEPT FOR the first Sunday of the month when it is considered a donation to the Priest's discretionary fund (customary of the parish).

***Discretionary Fund*** - Checks or Cash in the "Birthday Box" (customary of the parish)

***Memorial Fund*** - Checks or Cash in memory of an individual or event (customary of the parish).

***Unrestricted Funds*** - Funds that are not marked by the donor for a specific purpose. They can be used for any purpose and will go into the 'Operating Funds.'

**Donor Restricted** - Donor indicates specific purpose. These monies must be used for the purpose intended by the donor marked by one of the following accounts: **Building, Discretionary, Music, Christian Education, Saint's Pantry, Miscellaneous Restricted Fund or Emergency Fund.**

**Vestry Restricted** - Funds set aside by the Vestry for a specific purpose and the use of these funds can be changed only by the Vestry. Example: Some discretionary funds, book fund, special event fund. Some of these funds are restricted because they are the "customary of the parish."

**Discretionary Fund** - The use of this fund is at the discretion of the Priest only.

**HANDS OF HOPE** . . . . Will be taking a vacation the months of July and August. They will begin again in September, so, collect whatever you need to resume the craft you do and come prepared. In the meantime, continue to pray for those on our prayer list each week.

**PRAYER LIST** . . . .Marjorie, Shawn, Mike & Judy, Doug, David, Bud, Barrett, Joan, Janet, Tammy, Mary, Ernie, Carla, Linda, Betty, Dick, Joey, Brian, Bill and Don

**HEALING SERVICE** . . . .Fr. Steve will be conducting a Healing Service the last Sunday of each month beginning June 30th. The Service will be held at the end of the 7:30 and 10:30 services of worship.

**FROM THE VESTRY** . . . .A tremendous thank you to St. David's choir! We sang better because you led us. The songs were more meaningful because you led us. And your special presentation inspired and filled us. We miss you in your robes but look forward to hearing you from the pews ... .. until you join together again.

**At the request of the Call Committee**, the Vestry designated three goals for St. David's. (1) Financial awareness and involvement; (2) Membership outreach - sustain and increase; (3) Faith enrichment.

Look for more discussion in emails and the newsletter.

If you are not receiving weekly emails from Suzy Petty, Senior Warden, please let her know at either thepettys42yahoo.com or cell/text 360-789-9997.



Thank you to **Norm Eveleth** for the invitation to "Forest Bathing" at the private Cranberry Lake Preserve. We all learned about the symbiotic relationship of the plants and animals in the forest and our need to preserve our forests. We plan future 'Forest Bathing' learning experiences for St. David's as we continue to build our own symbiotic relationships within our membership.



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