



# ST DAVID OF WALES

Episcopal Church

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**PICNIC TIME . . .** Saturday, August 3rd our annual picnic will be held at Ann Olli's picturesque farm located at 2230 Shelton Valley Road. Bring friends and kin and plan to have a great time. Folks can start arriving at 11 a.m. with lunch to follow about 12:30. It is a Potluck so bring a casserole, salad, or dessert to share. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers will be provided. You should bring your own eating and serving utensils. If you have a folding chair, throw it in the trunk as well. Julie and Ann have a couple games planned for those into that sort of thing, otherwise it is a good time for visiting and relaxing. So, dig out the jeans and straw hat if you have them and plan to enjoy the day.

**SOMETHING TO PONDER . . .** Do you ever stop to think about how any people put forth effort and talents to prepare to welcome you on Sunday? Someone baked the bread for communion; arranged vases of flowers; created a service bulletin; chose the appropriate music; set up the Altar; rehearsed the music; practiced reading the scriptures; prayed over and practiced a message to be given to you; arranged tables for fellowship; prepared treats for fellowship; made a name tag for you; and arrived early to greet you; count the money and record it and take it to the bank; AND, finally, after we are gone, wash the dishes and clean the kitchen; clean the floors and bathrooms, turn off the lights and lock the doors. How special they are! THANK YOU!

**THE SAINT'S PANTRY** figures have been reported for the first half of 2019 and they are pretty impressive. Clients are allowed to come to the food bank one day each week. While some do, most of them come once or twice a month. Whenever they come, they are served. One Sunday each month, St. David's congregation donates food items and/or money to be distributed to The Pantry. Other community churches do the same. While it doesn't seem like much, when put together at the food bank with other contributor donations, that's when it gets impressive. At the end of June, 190,620 lbs of food had been given out. Some 1,100 families visit The Pantry each month or over 3,000 individuals. Here's where it gets better. The Pantry also distributes "backpacks" to the schools each week to be distributed to low income and homeless students to use during the week-end when school lunches are not available. This total for the first six months is 14,328 lbs of food. Mason County Family Court receives 150 packs each week. Your contributions along with those from businesses, organizations and fund drives throughout the year, do make a difference. So, on your next trip to the store, look for sales - macaroni & cheese, peanut butter, Top Ramen - easy to fix food items work best. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. . . . **Billie Howard**

**KEYS and LOCKS go together** - After umpteen years, Suzy and Peggy took the bull by the horns and called for an exchange of old keys for new keys for the church building. Urged by the Shelton Fire Dept. to install a key box so there would be an easy way to get into the church in case of fire, the Vestry also decided to change all the locks and reissue keys to those individuals and organizations using the facility regularly. The locks have been changed, keys have been reissued and all is well. If there are still keys out for the old locks, please turn them in and Suzy will have them recycled. For issuing of new keys, please see Junior Warden Peggy Hosford.

**DISCRETIONARY FUND PAID** for safe-place lodging and laundry services for four homeless women last month. The first Sunday's open offering each month is your chance to donate to this fund. The fund is used by Fr. Brill to help those in need with emergency expenses. Your help is appreciated.

**BUDGET REPORT - As of the end of May, St. David's pledges were about \$2,500 below budget in Year-to-date giving. Your pledge is important and necessary to be able to meet the church's responsibilities each month.**

**NAME TAGS . . .** We have nice new name tags to wear. We also have some nice new people in our congregation. Please wear your name tag so we can get to know each other. If you do not have one yet, let Suzy or Cheri know.

**HISTORY QUESTION????** - The question for the month of July as posted on the bulletin board is . . . Why was brick used to form the inside walls of the church and not the material originally specified by the Architect? (See page two for the answer.)

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE . . .** Longtime St. David's member **Rosemary Dawson** graduated into Eternal Life this month at her daughter's home in Fairfax, Virginia. Rosemary attended the 7:30 service and was a faithful participant in all things St David's. You would find her at every work party, bazaar and special events. She was a resident of Alderbrook, in fact rumor has it that her home was the first one built in that community. Rosemary Kidwell Dawson graduated from Irene S. Reed High School in 1943. She was the daughter of Emma Jordan, also a St. David's member. Rosemary and her husband Jim Dawson travelled and worked in many places, always returning to their home at Alderbrook. She will be missed by many. A Celebration of Life for Rosemary will be held at St. David's on Sunday, August 4th at 2 p.m.

**PRAYER LIST . . .** Please remember the following in your prayers this month; **Margorie, Shawn, Mike and Judy, Doug, Bud, Barrett, Janet, Joan, Tammy, Mary, Ernie, Linda, Betty, Dick, Joey, Don, Lisa, Jack, Greg, Sarah and David.**  
**Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Rosemary Dawson.**

**ANSWER TO HISTORY QUESTION . . .** can be found on page 31 of Norm Eveleth's book "The Episcopal Church in Mason County, WA 1853-2018." Don't have one? You can purchase one for \$15.00 from the Church. See Norm.

The material originally specified concrete blocks which was felt to distort the conformity of the interior space. A thinner, narrower brick would provide a lower and longer room appearance. The substitution was discussed with the Bishop along with members of the church and approved by the architect which would be painted as originally intended. The exterior was faced with '**Clinker Brick**' after much discussion. Blueprints and drawings are available in the archives of the University of Oregon for review by the public on site but not online.

