



ST DAVID OF WALES

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FROM 'WALK IN LOVE - EPISCOPAL BELIEFS & PRACTICES' The Season after Pentecost encompasses all the Sundays after the Day of Pentecost until the end of the church year....This is a season for growth, a reminder that the long walk of faith isn't always highs and lows but is made up of the stuff of everyday life. The Last Sunday after Pentecost brings us to the end of the church year, then we head into Advent to begin the cycle again. Peace, Suzy Petty, Senior Warden

ALL PARISH BREAKFAST - SUNDAY, THE 29TH, 9AM - Plan to attend the All Parish Breakfast between the 7:30 and 10:30 services. It is a great time to meet and greet each other and sit down to a great breakfast. Fr. Steve and the Vestry will bring us up to date on plans and ideas for the future of St David's. There is a sign up list on the table by the bulletin board if you are able to provide a breakfast casserole, fruit or rolls.

'FOREST BATHING' Walkabout! -Forest Bathing is an invitation from the Forest to become permeable to the natural world around you. The Forest offers deep therapeutic benefits both physical and spiritual and being in the company of trees. It is a translation of the Japanese term 'Shinrin-yoka' which is forest therapy that arises from an urban life full of stress and pavement beneath our feet.

Staircase is 16 miles from Hoodspport. Park at the Ranger Station in Hoodspport and carpooling can be arranged to Staircase. **The Walkabout will be from 10:30am to 2pm on Saturday, October 5th at Staircase located on Lake Cushman.** Cheri and Jeff Ratay will secure a campsite across from the 'Bridge Trail' at Staircase where they will have hot soup and biscuits warming on the fire after the two (2) mile walk This is a fundraiser for St. David's, family and friends are invited to participate as well as members Donations will be accepted.

CHURCH SCAMS . . . Yes, they're out there . . . BEWARE - Please know that no one associated with St. David's will ever send out a request for money or donations via email. If there is an urgent need we will talk about it in church or make personal phone calls from someone you recognize and know. No matter how 'official' the email appears, **do not respond or take it seriously.** As we all are aware, these professional scammers are brilliant. Contact Fr. Steve or anyone on the Vestry if you question anything or any request for donations. . . .
Suzy Petty, Sr. Warden

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. . . .To the members who came to meet and greet the Discover Mason County Treasure Hunt participants on Saturday, the 14th; AND to the folks who contribute to the fellowship and coffee time every Sunday; AND a huge thank you to the yard clean-up crew on Saturday, the 21st. We couldn't do it without you!

THE CHOIR IS BACK - HALLELUJAH! St. David's choir is back after a summer break - in robes, and ready to help us sing in time and (hopefully) on tune. We missed you. We appreciated the solos and musical arrangements by individual members. Thank you for your dedication, participation and joyful noise.

FYI I thought you might be interested in the numbers served by The Saints' Pantry each month. We have had questions about the 'kinds' of people that use the food bank. Also, about whether-or-not they really need the food. Our Mission statement says - "Our mission is to provide food on an emergency basis to our neighbors in need, through our wise stewardship of God's Bounty." Folks can come when they 'need' it and sometimes that is once a month, or four times a month. In August we served 2,089 duplicated individuals. That breaks down to 34 infants (0-2); 609 children (3-18); 887 adults (19-54); 559 seniors (55 plus). If you have any questions or comments, I will be happy to talk with you. Your donations, large or small, are appreciated and well-spent. Thank you. . . . Billie Howard, Pres., Board of Directors.

SO LONG & HAPPY TRAILS Fr. Dick and Jan Swanson are returning to their winter home in California. They have a summer home in Kamilche and spend their time with us when here. We wish them a quick journey and look forward to their return next year.

PLEASE INCLUDE THESE MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS Marjorie, Shawn, Mike & Judy, Doug, Janet, Barrett, Joan, Tammy, Mary, Ernie, Linda, Betty A., Dick, Lisa, Greg, Sarah, David, Robin, Terry, Ann, Betty E, Debbie, Margaret, Jamy, Bill, Bob & Kathleen.

DATES TO REMEMBER -

Sunday, Sept. 29 9:00 am All Parish Breakfast

Saturday, Oct. 5 10:30 -2pm 'Walkabout' at Staircase



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