#### **Upcoming Events**

• October 9 <sup>th</sup> - Centering Prayer	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
• October 11 <sup>th</sup> - Men's Fellowship	9:00 am - 11:00 am
• October 12 <sup>th</sup> - Margaret Mercer Celebration	11:15 am - 11:45 am
• October 13 <sup>th</sup> - Indigenous People's Day	
• October 16 <sup>th</sup> - Centering Prayer	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
• October 18 <sup>th</sup> - Prayer Quilt Ministry	10:00 am - 12:00 pm
• October 19 <sup>th</sup> - Fall Parish Potluck	11:15 am - 1:15 pm

## **Prayer List**

Pray for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit: Grace, Fred W., Mathew, Chech and Sabina, Andrea Nelson, The DeVries Family, H.L. Norwich, Peg Nugent, Jim Nugent, Wilma and the Colon Family, Sandy and The Martin Family, The Family of Everett Clowes, Dotty, The family of Marie McCann, Pat, Fred C, David, Isaiah, Judah, The Stone Family, Richard, The Capps family, The Solomon family, Erin and Vinnie, Peter, Richard and the McCoy family, Erin, Maurice, Michael, Bob, Peter, the Linden Family, Jean-Marie, the Frank Family, the Elliot family, Cheryl, Norma, Amy, Baby Miles Gray, The Gray Family, Winston, Catherine, Ben, Sarah, Thomas, Connor, John, Michele, Beth, Zachary, and Akachi. We pray for the deceased, Ofelia, and our clergy, vestry, ministries, church staff, school staff, parents, and children.

Loving God, we pray for all those who continue to be affected by civil unrest and natural disasters in the world.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayer requests can be submitted at Prayerrequest@sdlife.org

#### Office and Preschool Hours

Office hours are Monday thru Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Questions? Email office@sdlife.org or shagerty@sdlife.org Office: (703) 729-0570 | Pastoral Care Emergencies: (703) 729-7481

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# Welcome to St. David's

We're Glad You're Here!

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## Worship With Us

Morning Prayer: Morning Prayer is paused for the

summer; Will resume in the fall.

**Evening Prayer:** Evening Prayer is paused for the

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**Centering Prayer:** Thursday 12 pm - 1 pm in the Sanctuary

**Compline:** Sunday - Thursday 9 pm on Facebook

Pop-up Prayer on Facebook or Instagram

# Happenings at St. David's

Week of October 5, 2025

## Blessing of the Animals

Blessing of the Animals will take place on **Sunday, October 5**<sup>th,</sup> at 1 pm on the church grounds. This is a cherished tradition that honors the relationship between humans and animals. It is often celebrated honoring the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. All animals and their humans are invited. If you have a shy or active dog, cat, snake, turtle, etc., who may not play well with other animals, please stay near your car. The blessing will come to you. You are also invited to bring cherished pictures of animals that have passed.

#### Baking with the Bible

Baking with the Bible takes place on the 4th Wednesday of the month (unless otherwise noted) at 4 pm via St. David's Facebook Live. Each month, we explore a bible story with hands-on learning through baking, always making enough to share with your neighbors.

Join us on Wednesday, October 22nd, at 4 pm to make Pumpkin Bread and talk about giving back.

We will read the book *The Pumpkin Patch Parable* by Liz Curtis Higgs.

Questions? Contact Maureen at **mcarey@sdlife.org**The link can be accessed on the website www.sdlife.org and on YouTube.

#### **Fall Parish Potluck Lunch**

Our Parish Potluck will be on **October 19th**, following the service. This will be our third Parish potluck of 2025. Keep an eye out for more details and a QR code/link for signups coming soon!

#### **Heeling House - October Outreach**

St. David's October outreach will support Heeling House, located in Leesburg, VA. Collections of pet supplies can be dropped off in the narthex through October 13th and placed in the doghouse located there. Heeling House offers a variety of programs to meet the needs of children with therapy dogs. Sessions with therapy dogs supplement preexisting therapy, social clubs for young teens, summer camps, or provide an opportunity to spend time with some canine companions.

# Margaret Mercer Celebration and St. David's History

This celebration will be on **October 12th**, during the "30 Good Minutes" for the day, right after service in the Sanctuary. We will celebrate Margaret Mercer's legacy at St. David's and how we continue her mission as we grow St. David's Episcopal Church and School and learn more about St David's history as well!

### **Coffee Hour Ministry**

Join us after services for fellowship over coffee and pastries. To keep this tradition thriving, consider donating time or money. Cash donations can be placed in the box on the coffee table. To serve, clean up, or donate items, scan the QR code.

Thank you!





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