

THE HAPPENINGS AT ST. DAVID'S

Fall 2026



Living, Loving, & Learning at St. David's

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Join Us in Worship and Service!

St. David's is devoted to inviting, equipping and sending out our members to be the Lord's 'light to the world.' We invite through welcoming hospitality and equip by helping members develop a deeper walk with Jesus. We send out by providing opportunities for members to get involved by serving their community.

This booklet is designed to help us grow closer to the Lord and to one another. If there is a topic or event you would like us to offer, please contact one of us with your ideas.

Judy Walsh, Edna Buday, Kathy Graham, Kitty Kenning, Linda Williams Bowie, Jessica Rienstra, Margaret Preston and Fr. Chris Yaw+

Worship Services

Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist

Sunday 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 12:10 pm Holy Eucharist

2nd Wednesdays 7:00 pm Detroit Rescue Mission

4th Sunday 1:00 pm Waltonwood Royal Oak

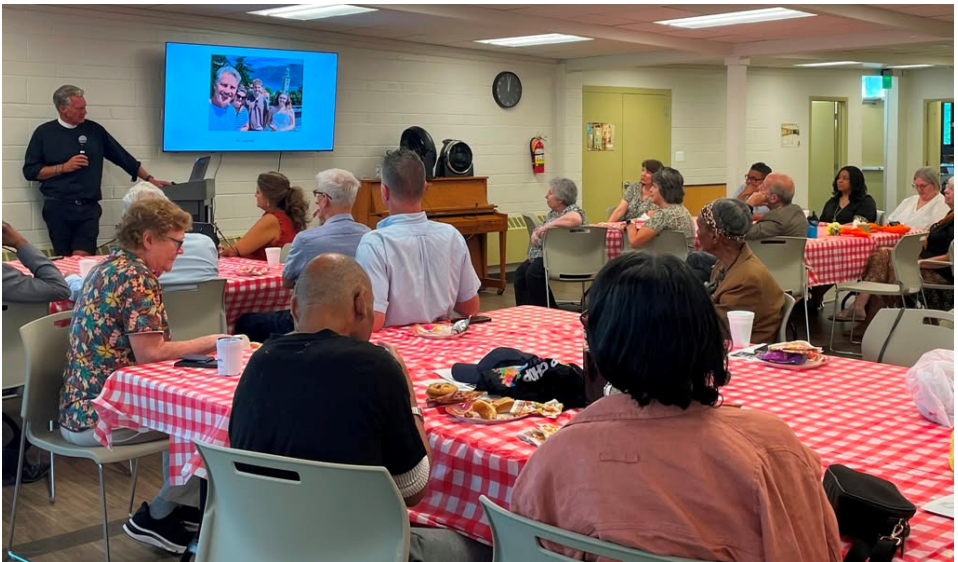
Worship services are live on Zoom streaming to Facebook

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Special Dates to Remember

September 6: Last Outdoor Service of 2026

September 12: Faith and Equity - Exploring Power and Privilege

September 13: Welcome Back Sunday & Grandparents Day Ice Cream Social

October 4: Red Cross Blood Drive, 8 am -1 pm

October 10: Blessing of the Pets & Parade, 1:30 pm

October 13: Living Faithfully: Jews and Christians , 12 n

October 20: Comedy Castle Haiti Fundraiser, 6 pm

October 24: Women's Retreat: Catching Creativity, 11 am

November 17: Contemporary Violin Concert Parking Lot Fundraiser

November 22: Welcoming of New Friends & Rectors Tea, 2 pm

November 23: Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Shaarey Zedek, 6 pm

December 6: Parish Council Meeting, 11:30 am



Lunchtime Bible Study: Tuesdays @ 12n on Zoom

We meet for an hour on Zoom every Tuesday.

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Special Event Details

Faith and Equity - Exploring Power and Privilege

This fall, join a ten-session program designed to awaken individuals and groups to racial injustices within our systems and structures that empower some and oppress others. Saturday September 12 – November 21, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm (10:00 am – 2:00 pm on September 12) Registration is covered by Transfiguration. Participants purchase books, and attend session in the Parish Hall Church of the Transfiguration 25225 Code Road Southfield, Michigan 48033. To register or ask questions, please contact: Amy Burgin at 248-356-8787 or aburgin@transfigsfld.org or Mary Stone at maryhuettemanstone@gmail.com, 313-316-0457.

Sunday, October 4: Red Cross Blood Drive - Join us from 8a-1p

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood, and a single donation can save up to three lives. Right now there's a real blood shortage in the U.S. And you can make a direct, life-saving impact right here in our community. Join us in the Parish Hall between 8:00am and 1:00pm on Sunday, October 4 to donate. Contact the church office to sign up at: churchoffice@stdavidssf.org Let's roll up our sleeves and help us reach our goal!

Saturday, October 10, Blessing of the Pets & Parade!

Yes... bring your favorite furry, finned, or feathered friend!

Please mark your calendar for October 10, 2026 and join us for our annual Pet Parade & Blessing at St. Anne's Mead. The fun starts at 1:30 pm. Our program includes community joy, treats, goody bags, and a special blessing led by Father Chris Yaw for all well-behaved dogs, cats, and bunnies. We will enjoy a lively parade, shared conversation and neighborhood connection. The event is free, but advanced registration is required online and all pets must be safely leashed or in carriers. Email the office for the registration link churchoffice@stdavidssf.org

Living Faithfully: Jews and Christians

Tuesdays, October 13, 20, 27 12noon on Zoom - Living Faithfully: Jews and Christians Reading Scripture Together Join us with Rabbi Starr and Congregation Shaarey Zedek as we explore passages from the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament that speak to fear, hope, justice, and faithful living. These conversations are an opportunity to deepen our understanding of Scripture, learn from one another's traditions, and strengthen the bonds of friendship between our communities. All are welcome, all sessions are in the St. David's zoom room.

Saturday, October 24, Women's Retreat: Catching Creativity!

Yes... you ARE Creative!

Please mark your calendar for October 24, 2026 and join us for our third annual Women's Luncheon at St. David's. The fun starts at 11:00 am and continues until 1:30 pm. Our program includes interactive table projects and presenter, Tina Nowak teaches us to live creatively in mind, body and spirit. We will enjoy a catered lunch, conversation and connection. Fee is \$10 (pay Judy Walsh) and sign up sheet is in the Ministry Hub. Limit 30 guests.

Tuesday, November 17, Contemporary Violin Concert Parking Lot Fundraiser

Join us for an amazing evening of entertainment and fellowship - all for a great cause! Nuclassica, founded and directed by Jordan Allen Broer, is a Detroit-based electro-pop string ensemble consists of classically trained violinists backed by a live DJ and synthesizer tracks. They are widely recognized across Southeast Michigan for performing high-energy, modern radio pop and electronic dance music arrangements rather than traditional classical pieces. Stay tuned to the website and Sunday bulletin for details.

St. David's Fall Faith Formation

Please join us, all are welcome and encouraged to participate!

Our 9 am Learning hour is held in our meeting room, from 9 am - 9:45 am. Then Our Connection Hour is held in the Corner Parish Hall following the 10:00 am Eucharist, unless otherwise noted. After allowing time for coffee and snacks, we offer a variety of special speakers, presentations, and conversations.

September 6, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *'Taking Care of the Orphans' (James 1): Children's Village of Oakland County*

There's an amazing organization in Oakland County that cares for at-risk youth: Children's Village. Come hear about their work and mission to youth in the criminal justice system as well as foster care.

11:30 am Connection Hour - Join us for Coffee Hour



September 13, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Compassion for Families with Joe Grazioli*

Did you know that Parents of Murdered Children have called St. David's 'home' for more than a decade - ministering to those who've gone through unimaginable loss? Join chapter leader Joe Grazioli as he tells us about this group, it's origins, purpose, and future.



11:30 am Connection Hour: *Welcome Back Ice Cream Social!*

On this Grandparents Sunday come celebrate the start of the St. David's program year with an Ice Cream Social.

September 20, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Poverty in Detroit - How to Help with Dr. Jimmy Womack*

Half of the children in Detroit are living below the poverty line. That upsets Dr. Jimmy Womack, a former Detroit School Board President and state legislator. So he and his wife have founded an organization to better the lives of Detroiters.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Mixing Politics and Religion - A Conversation with Dr. Jimmy Womack*

After serving countless patients as an anesthesiologist, and even more as the head of Detroit's School Board and a Michigan State Representative, Dr. Jimmy Womack became an ordained minister.



September 27, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Spiritual Music Carousel*

Back by popular demand: Have you ever been struck by the deep spirituality of a 'secular' song? If so, we'd like you to bring an audio version (you can play it on your phone) and the lyrics to this fun, engaging learning hour event. We'll take turns listening to and discussing these selections.

11:30 am Connection Hour - Join us for Coffee Hour



October 4, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *St. David's 101 - Part 1: Beginnings*

Are you new to St. David's? We've got a class for you! Join us for the first of 4 classes to introduce you to St. David's history and the Episcopal faith. In this first class, parishioner Kitty Kenning talks about our parish beginnings at Oxford School in 1952 and teacher Mike Dagle will relate this to the first promise in our Baptismal Covenant, "Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?"

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Midterm Madness: OU Political Scientist, David A. Dulio*

The U.S. elections are under special scrutiny this year as people prepare to head to the polls for next month's midterms. Good friend of the parish and Oakland University professor Dr. David Dulio will join us once again to discuss the political landscape. Come hear this non-partisan, detailed analysis of shared democracy. That's at 11:30 am in the Church.

October 11, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *St. David's 101 - Part 2: Worship*

Are you new to St. David's? We've got a class for you! Join us for the second of 4 classes to introduce you to St. David's history and the Episcopal faith. In this second class, music director Al Eppens will talk about the distinctiveness of Episcopal worship and teacher Mike Dagle will unpack what we do at our Sunday services through a 'directed Eucharist.'

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Building Religious Unity with Dr. Stanci Adams*

Religion has the unfortunate reputation of being both unifying and divisive. How do we overcome our distinctions to bring out the love, peace, and harmony that are the shared quests of all faiths? Metro Detroit's Interfaith Leadership Council President Rev. Stanci Adams is with us to help us understand the joys and challenges of interfaith work.

October 18, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *St. David's 101 - Part 3: Inclusion*

Are you new to St. David's? We've got a class for you! Join us for the third of 4 classes to introduce you to St. David's history and the Episcopal faith. In this third class, longtime parishioner Judy Walsh talks about how the parish has changed over the decades to open the circle and welcome an increasingly wide variety of worshippers. And teacher Mike Dagle will relate this to the first promise in our Baptismal Covenant, "Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? "

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Harvest Brunch!*

Brought to you by St. David's Men and the Men's Breakfast Crew
An autumn harvest meal has a long tradition at St. David's. And this year we're bringing it back as a tasty brunch. Men of the church can sign up to help, and all are welcome to attend.



October 25, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *St. David's 101 - Part 4: Outreach*

Are you new to St. David's? We've got a class for you! Join us for this final class to introduce you to St. David's history and the Episcopal faith. In this fourth class, longtime parishioner Jan Ernst talks about the heart of our parish which is outreach. She'll talk about the various ways St. David's has, and does, reach out to help our community. And teacher Mike Dagle will relate this to the first promise in our Baptismal Covenant, "Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?"

11:30 am Connection Hour: *A Search for Meaning in the Holocaust Survivor with Lori Klisman Ellis* Join Michigan local Lori Klisman Ellis on her journey to find closure in the death of her loved ones during the Holocaust. From curiosity to discovery to deeper understanding, Lori Klisman Ellis shares an intimate portrait of a family.

November 1, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *The Gift of Life with Taneisha Carswell*

Organ and tissue donation has the incredible power to transform grief into hope and turn loss into a legacy. How do we overcome our misconceptions about donation to bring out the healing, generosity, and second chances that are the shared hopes of so many families? Gift of Life Michigan Community Relations Coordinator Taneisha Carswell is with us to help us understand the joys and challenges of this life-saving advocacy work.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Why Art Matters: Seeing the World Through New Lens with Joanna Bruttell Anderson* Join Cranbrook Curator of Education Joanna Bruttell Anderson for an inspiring exploration of why art remains essential in our everyday lives. From spark of curiosity to creative engagement to deeper human connection, Joanna shares a compelling look at how art shapes our understanding of ourselves and the world around us.



November 8, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Faith Family Feedback: Liturgical Reflection on Our Worship*

Are there hymns you like, prayers you don't, and feedback you'd like to give on our Sunday worship? We aim to provide the best worship possible and value your opinion! Join Fr. Chris and Music Director Al Eppens for a constructive conversation to build our community by improving our worship.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Steve Grunwald - My Life in Radio and Other Lives...* You've probably heard morning radio personality Steve Grunwald on the hugely popular WYCD Country FM station, but you may not have heard about his other lives. In law enforcement. And as a preacher's kid. Come be inspired by this amazing life.

November 15, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *How Much to Save, Spend, and Share? Personal Finance with Vibe Credit Union*

Do you need a personal finance checkup? Our friendly, neighborhood, Southfield Credit Union wants to help! Join a representative from Vibe Credit Union and bring your questions.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Meet Your County Commissioner with Linnie Taylor*

Vice-Chair of the Oakland County Commission, Marcia Gershenson alongside Southfield Commissioner Linnie Taylor are our special guests as we learn about the workings and offerings of Oakland County and its government. Join us at 1130am in the Conference Room for this conversation.



November 22, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Our Chaldean Neighbors*

For more than a century, Chaldeans have been making a huge impression on Metro Detroit. Developers, grocers, and entrepreneurs have brought prosperity and a strong work and spiritual ethic to our communities. Come hear about the history and impact of our Chaldean neighbors at this insightful presentation.

11:30 am Connection Hour - Join us for Coffee Hour & We're Making Thanksgiving Baskets.



November 29, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Words of Inspiration:*

Holiday Cards to Soldiers

Deployed military personnel need inspiration - especially around this time of year. Come to our 9am gathering and write a holiday card or two to a soldier. We're using an organization called A Million Thanks to get these cards to soldiers and we need your help. Cards and pens will be provided.



11:30 am Connection Hour: *Denise Wieck -*

The Hidden Dangers of Ghost Guns You may not be aware of the growing threat posed by untraceable, home-assembled firearms—often called "ghost guns"—or how easily they can impact local families. Join us as Denise Wieck and her son Guy Boyd shares their powerful story following a life-altering accident caused by a privately made firearm. Come learn about the reality of ghost guns, their impact on community safety, and how we can work together to prevent future tragedies.

December 6, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Words of Inspiration: Holiday Cards to the Hungry*

Those who visit our food pantry need inspiration - especially around this time of year. Come to our 9am gathering and write a holiday card or two to one of our neighbors experiencing food insecurity. We'll give these out to our food pantry visitors to inspire and spread sunshine. Cards and pens will be provided.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Be a Lifesaver: Overdose Response Training*

Would you know what to do if someone were experiencing an overdose? Join us for a practical, potentially life-saving training on how to recognize the signs of an overdose and respond quickly and effectively. Learn how naloxone (Narcan) can reverse an opioid overdose and how ordinary people can be prepared to help in an emergency. This training is for everyone, whether or not you have been personally affected by substance use. Come learn how a little knowledge and preparation can help save a life.

December 13, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Words of Inspiration: Holiday Cards to Our St. Anne's Mead Neighbors*

Our neighbors in the rest home need inspiration - especially around this time of year. Come to our 9am gathering and write a holiday card or two to a resident of St. Anne's Mead. Cards and pens will be provided.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Cookie Walk/Alternative Christmas Market*

There are always lots of awesome cookies at our annual Cookie Walk as well as other Christmas gift items at our Alternative Christmas Market.

December 20, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Words of Inspiration: Holiday Cards to Our First Responders*

Our local police and fire personnel need inspiration - especially around this time of year. Come to our 9am gathering and write a holiday card or two to a local police or fire officer. Cards and pens will be provided.

11:30 am Connection Hour - Join us for Coffee Hour!



December 26, 2026

9 am Learning Hour: *Christmas in the Bible*

The Nativity is only really mentioned in two of the Gospels, never by Paul, or other Epistle writers. Come for an interesting conversation on the origins and development of Christmas. Led by Fr. Chris.

11:30 am Connection Hour: *Caroling at the Mead*

Come share your time with an elderly neighbor! Join us after our 10:00 am Service as we gather at St. Anne's Mead to lift up our voices and the spirits of those who live right next door to us. Hymn books provided.



