

Announcements and Upcoming Events

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us, ourselves our time and our possessions.

"Unified Fund Summary (the Unified Fund is the checking account from which all routine operating expenses are paid; e.g. payroll, utilities, supplies, etc.)"	
Beginning Bal. December 2, 2024	\$273.86
Sunday Offering	\$4,027.00
TRF to Temp Rest-GWOH balance	(\$539.89)
Online Giving	\$960.00
Subtotal	\$4,720.97
Payments	(\$3,455.63)
Ending Bal. December 2, 2024	\$1,265.34
Beginning Bal. December 9, 2024	\$1,265.34
Sunday Offering	\$3,841.00
Online Giving	\$985.00
Subtotal	\$6,091.34
Payments	(\$6,814.25)
Ending Bal. December 9, 2024	(\$722.91)
Unified/Temporary Restricted (Designated) Fund Offerings December 8 th , 2024	
Building/Renovation	\$50.00
Capital Campaign	\$50.00
Member Emergency Fund	\$25.00
Memorial Fund	\$360.00
St Francis Sharing & Caring	\$150.00
Youth	\$150.00
Worship attendance for December 8 th 8:00AM-49 & 10:30AM-85 for a total of 134.	

Mission Statement

"Glorify God, Share the Love of Jesus, Do Good works through Service"



The final deposit of the year will be made on **Monday, December 30th** for the 2024 contribution statements.

Any contributions received after that will be recorded on the 2025 statements.

December 15, 2024



Please join us in welcoming Maggie, Erin & Eden Borodach who are being received into the community of St. David's Evangelical Lutheran Church at the 10:30am service today.

Pastor Mark's Schedule Week of December 15-21

Sunday 12/15	Sunday Morning Worship Worship at FCI-Loretto, 2:00PM-5:30PM
Monday 12/16	Office Hours, 9:00AM-1:30PM ZOOM Meeting @ 1:30PM-2:30PM Visitation in the afternoon
Tuesday 12/17	Working from the parsonage
Wednesday 12/18	Office Hours, 9:00AM-11:00AM Somerset Area Ministerium Advent Worship @ 11:30AM Visitation in the afternoon
Thursday 12/19	Office Hours, 9:30AM-1:30PM Visitation in the afternoon Meeting at 4:45PM Learning Place Christmas Program, 6PM
Friday 12/20	Pastor's Day off
Saturday 12/21	The Longest Night Service, 6:30PM

Pastor Mark is always available by phone or email at any time of the day or night if you need him for pastoral care.
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Lessons And CAROL SERVICE

Join us to hear the Christmas story through scripture and song Presented by St. David's adult choir, Bell choir, brass quintet, and organ. A free will offering will be taken to support the music ministry. Light refreshments to follow.

ST. DAVIDS LUTHERAN CHURCH

401 N. MAIN ST. DAVIDSVILLE, PA 15928

JANUARY 3, 2025
6:30 PM



We will hang the Christmas greens next Sunday, December 22nd after the 10:30 service. A soup & sandwich lunch will be provided prior to decorating.

We are looking for volunteers to decorate and carry decorations from the garage to the church. If you are interested, please sign up in the Narthex. It's fun and good fellowship!



Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved family member who has recently died; it may be a time that has always been difficult. The constant refrain on the radio and television, in shopping malls and churches, about the happiness of the season, about getting together with family and friends, reminds many people of what they have lost or have never had. The anguish of broken relationships, the insecurity of unemployment, the weariness of ill health, the pain of isolation - all these can make us feel very alone in the midst of the celebrating and spending. We need the space and time to acknowledge our sadness and concern; we need to know that we are not alone. Our spirits sink, as the days grow shorter. We feel the darkness growing deeper around us. We need encouragement to live the days ahead of us. For these reasons, St. David's will offer a special "Longest Night" service on **Saturday, December 21st at 6:30PM**. Come out, and join with us in sharing and hearing prayers, scripture, and music that acknowledge that God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle - and that God's Word comes to shine light into our darkness. Everyone, regardless of church background (or lack of it) is welcome. The service will be followed by a brief time for light refreshments and fellowship.



Make plans to join us Christmas Eve at 4:30PM & 7:30PM. Special music will begin a half hour prior to each service.

Christmas Poinsettias may be picked up anytime following the 7:30PM service on Tuesday, December 24th. Thank you to all those who provided these floral gifts for our Christmas services.



The church office will be closed on Tuesday, December 24th & Wednesday, December 25th.



ADVENT MAIN EVENTS!

 SUN, DEC 15 9:00AM-10:15AM	 SUN, DEC 22 9:00AM-10:15AM	 TUE, DEC 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
<p>**Families welcome!**</p> <p>We will organize the Backpack Project donations and have them ready for delivery.</p> <p>CAROLING 1pm All are welcome to carol at Country Manor!</p>	<p>Pageant Rehearsal 9:00am-10:15am</p> <p>PAGEANT!!! 10:30am service</p> 	<p>4:30pm Service</p> <p>7:30pm Service</p> 

School Year Learning Place Staff

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Jennifer Percinsky, Director

Brianna Bray, Preschool 4 lead teacher

Felica Beglin: Asst. Group Supervisor

Pam Carhart: Asst. Group Supervisor

Niki Cable: Asst. Group Supervisor

Janet Lord: Asst. Group Supervisor

Brianna Mohle: Asst. Group Supervisor

Stacie Opett: Asst. Group Supervisor

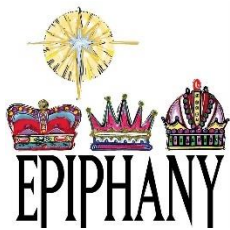
Gina Yacynych: Preschool 3 lead teacher

ST. DAVID'S LEARNING PLACE BOARD MEMBERS

Jerrold Cannistraci* Rachel Thomas-Kimmel

Cathy Lilly* Cindy Liska* Angie McKool

Patty Rullo* Linda Shrader



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The Service Team would like to **THANK** those that donated desserts for their **Second Sunday of Advent Project for Somerset**

County Meals on Wheels. We received a total of 143 items:

- Cakes 18
- Brownies 11 trays
- Cookies 13 dozen
- Breads 31
- Gobs 2 1/2 dozen
- Pumpkin rolls 6
- Mini loaf banana 28
- Nut rolls 6



Want to make St. David's your church family? Please fill out the pew pads and drop in the offering plate or you can speak with any council member about joining St. David's Lutheran Church.



Lauren Bungard* Cathy Lilly
 Angie McKool * Bob Troxell* Kristie Byer
 Dave Barabas* Jeff Eash * Greg Lilly
 Rachel Thoams-Kimmel * Patty Rullo
 Mary Jane McCready



SIGN Up for St. David's Online Giving by going to the church website www.stdavidslutheran.org click on **GIVE**, click on **SIGN IN**. You will need to register for a new account. Once you are registered you can give to the General Budget (unified), Capital Campaign or Endowment Fund using a credit card or bank account. You may also choose to make your gift recurring.



St. David's Church monthly donation to the St. Francis Sharing & Caring Food Pantry is boxed macaroni & cheese. Please remember to grab several boxes, the next time at the store, and place them in the wooden crate in the narthex. Thank you for your faithful commitment to this ministry!

***Schedule of Upcoming Events ***

Sunday 12/15:	8:00 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	12 :00PM	S. Worst (K)



The secretary's office hours for the week of December 16-20 will be Monday-9:30AM-2:30PM; Tuesday-Friday 9AM-3PM. **Any changes to hours will be noted on the church calendar on the website.**
www.stdavidslutheran.org

Monday 12/16:	January Messenger Deadline	
	9:00 AM	YOGA (FH9)
	4:30 PM	Girl Scouts (CR2)
	6:00 PM	Bible Study (21A-C)
Wednesday 12/18:	6:00 PM	Adult Choir
	7:30 PM	Bell Choir
Thursday 12/19:	5:30 PM	Daisy Troop (C19)
	6:00 PM	Learning Place Christmas Program (FH & S)
Saturday 12/21:	9:00 AM	Christmas Program Practice
	6:30 PM	The Longest Night Service
Sunday 12/22:	8:00 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	9:15 AM	Christmas Program Practice
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service/C & Y Christmas Program
	12:00 PM	Lunch/Hanging of the Greens

***December 15* (Intinction) ***

8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Acolytes- Matthew Desort	Acolytes- Need Volunteer
Altar- Luana Eppley	Altar- Sherri Andrews
Cantor- Wendy Figard	Cantor- Choir
Communion Assts- Sotosky Family	Communion Assts- Bill Bergman & Jack Winters
Lector- Erin Sotosky	Lector- Sarah Worst
Ushers- Sotosky Family	Ushers- Jeff Rowe & Jack Winters
Counters- Bill & Sherri Andrews, Sonya Andrews	

If you would like to commune but are unable for any reason to go forward to the altar, please let an usher know so communion can be brought to you.

*** December 22* (Intinction) ***

8:00 AM	10:30 AM – Children & Youth Christmas Program
Acolytes-	Acolytes- St David's Youth
Altar- Deb Harris	Altar- Pat Sleek
Cantor- Gail Berkebile	Cantor- Choir
Communion Assts- Tom & Deb Harris	Communion Assts- St David's Youth
Lector- Deb Harris	Lector- St David's Youth
Ushers- Tom & Deb Harris	Ushers- St David's Youth
Counters- Lou Ann Reckner, Jean Magdelinic & Yvonne Janidlo	