

# Announcements

February 23-24, 2019

<b>"Unified Fund Summary (the Unified Fund is the checking account from which all routine operating expenses are paid; e.g. payroll, utilities, supplies, etc.)"</b>	
Beginning Balance February 11, 2019	\$27,834.68
Unified Offerings	\$4,988.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$4,445.00
Online Giving	\$100.00
Subtotal	\$37,367.68
Payments	(\$6,665.13)
Ending Balance February 11, 2019	\$30,702.55
<b>Beginning Balance February 18, 2019</b>	
Unified Offerings	\$6,172.00
Subtotal	\$36,874.55
Payments	(\$1,989.64)
Ending Balance February 18, 2019	\$34,884.91
 A weekly offering of <b>\$6,500</b> in undesignated funds is required to meet the current obligations of the parish.	
<b>Temporary Restricted (Designated) Fund Offerings February 16-17, 2019</b>	
Camp Sequanota Linen Shower	\$235.00
Member Emergency Fund	\$46.00
St. Francis Sharing & Caring	\$50.00
Youth	\$45.00
<b>Attendance for February 16-17 was 5:30 PM- 12; 8AM- 72 &amp; 10:30 AM-90 for a total of 174.</b>	

The Hospital visitor this week is  
Bill Bergman (2/26).

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *We are God's servant people with Christ-like hearts empowered by the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament. We proclaim God's grace, love, justice, and forgiveness to all people through worship, learning, witness, service and support.*

**KNOTTY LADIES will meet on Thursday,  
February 28th from 9 AM until noon.  
All Are Welcome!**

*The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Marsha Parkins' birthday by family.*



Please join the St. David's congregation as we gather for the installation service where we give thanks to the Lord and install Rev. Johnson as St. David's new pastor. The service will be **TODAY, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm**. In the coming days as the service approaches, Pastor Faron asks that you pray for him and the ministry at St. David's, that God will always send the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us each step of the way. **There will be a dinner following Pastor Johnson's installation. All are invited. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex so that we have rough idea of how many will be attending the dinner. Also, if anyone would be willing to donate a cake for dessert.**



Summer is fast approaching and so is our opportunity to share God's love with the children of St. David's and our surrounding community. That's right, it's Bible School time!!! We hope June 24-28 is already on your calendar, but we need to line up our volunteers. Sequanota staff is once again handling the programming but we need to provide support. Alongside monitoring as children travel in groups to each activity, we need help with registration, snack, lunch for staff, decorating, and chaperones for our field trip to Sequanota on Friday. Just imagine how much fun we pack in from 9am to 4pm each day! Perhaps your time is limited but please consider how you can lend a hand to **Transform our Community into God's Agents of C.H.A.N.G.E!** There is a signup sheet in the Narthex. See Sarah Worst with any questions.





The Learning Team will meet **TODAY, February 24<sup>th</sup>** following the 10:30 service in classroom 5. Among other things, we'll be discussing day camp,

First Communion, Sunday School, and thinking ahead to additional 2019 plans. We welcome anyone who might be interested in taking part in this team. We are always open to exploring learning opportunities for all ages so come and share your ideas!

**ALL YOUTH:** We will be holding Youth Sunday on March 17<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30am service. We will be covering everything, except for communion. Signups will be in the Narthex. We would love to see all of our youth have a hand in this service! More details to come. Please contact Stormie Cannistraci at 724.689.7342 (text or call) or email at [stormiegclark@gmail.com](mailto:stormiegclark@gmail.com) with questions and ideas!

The results of this year's Allegheny Synod Can Challenge. For 2018-2019 our total was **37,395** items collected. This number may go up a little over the next few days as we are still waiting for a handful of final counts to come in, but we wanted to get a total to you. We realize our total is a little short of our 40,000 goal, but we still had great year and were able to help a lot of people. In fact, over the last 5 years we have collected **222,839!**

We thank you again for being a part of this ministry and for your commitment to helping people in your community.

St. David's has collected **277** boxes of mac & cheese and **320** cans for the St. Francis Sharing & Caring Food Pantry.



St. David's and the Service Team invite you to share the love of Christ with our friends in ministry at Camp Sequanota.

We are raising money to purchase new linens for the rooms at the Bowersox Enrichment Center. As you know, the camp has many vital ministries in our synod and is there for our growth and enjoyment. By contributing we are not only saying thank you but participating in those ministries for the glory of Christ. Our Service Team is making efforts through your generosity to supply four of the rooms. Please prayerfully consider what you might be led to contribute for everything given helps to reach our goal. To donate please use the green envelopes located in the pews labeled Camp Sequanota. We are more than halfway to our goal of \$1,200.00 (4 rooms). A total of \$1,045.00 as been received as of 2/17/19.



Pastor Faron will be keeping office hours on Mondays from 1 to 5 pm should you have any reason to visit the pastor. He also keeps an "Open Door" policy. Should he be in the office throughout the week and you see the door open, you can certainly drop in. Otherwise, appointments with the pastor may be scheduled by contacting the church secretary at other times during the week. Fridays will be the "Pastor's Day Off". One thing to keep in mind as to the pastor's availability is that schedules and appointments may change should emergency situations arise.



It's time for Preschool! St. David's Learning Place will open registration to the public on Thursday April 18, 2019. Registration will start at 6:00pm-7:30pm. We have will registration for our 2-year-old classroom, 3 and 4-year-old preschool and childcare programs. If you or someone you know is interested, please pass this information along to them! Our space is limited, and it is important to come on the registration date listed. If you have any questions, please call Bekah Adams at 814-479-7390 or email at [learningplace@stdavidslutheran.org](mailto:learningplace@stdavidslutheran.org).



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As we journey through the season of Lent and Pastor Johnson settles in

to the rhythm of ministry here, he will be turning his attention also towards his third book. The title to this book is tentatively *Questions of God*. The book is about exactly what the title says, there are questions that we all have, questions for God, questions about God, and questions about Christ's Church. The pastor invites you to participate by submitting your questions to be included in the book. The questions might be ones that you have hesitated to ask. They might be difficult, where we search the nature of God and why things happen as they do. As he compiles the questions the book will offer different perspectives and understandings about our faith to act as a launching point for difficult conversations the church needs to have in our current culture. The questions can be given to Pastor Johnson directly or left for him anonymously. It is his hope that life-changing conversation will come from sharing our thoughts together.



Pastor Johnson has received some questions from Sunday School teachers pertaining to the lessons they teach. Sometimes our task can be challenging as we teach the scripture to each other. In seeing this he wishes for those who teach to know he is available for questions and conversation pertaining to the lessons you teach. Together we can walk in faith and our shared knowledge of God to benefit the classes and community.

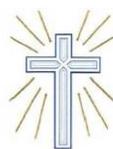


## LENTEN CALENDAR

Lent starts with Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> with services at 1:30 PM & 7 PM. Wednesday evening Bible study and light meals are scheduled for March 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. **\*\*Volunteers needed for soup & sandwiches. A signup sheet is available in the narthex. \*\***

The evening begins with a light meal of soup and sandwiches served at 6:00 PM. People may come after 5:30 PM. A Bible study will be led by Pastor Faron based on the Sermon on the Mount.

The evening will conclude with Holden's Evening Prayer Service.



*Rest In Peace*

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the family and friends of **John Ray Mastillo Sr.** who went into the arms of Jesus on February 19<sup>th</sup>. We commend him to our merciful Savior in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection.

**\* SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH\***

~ Please check the website calendar for the most up to date events ~

Saturday 2/23:	5:30 PM	Worship/Communion Service
Sunday 2/24:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Adult SS /Catechism
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	12 PM	Learning Team Meeting (C5)
	4 PM	Pastor Johnson's Installation Service
	<b>Dinner to follow Installation Service (FH)</b>	
Monday 2/25:	9:30 AM	YOGA (FH)
	1-5 PM	Pastor's Office Hours
	6:30 PM	Bible Study (C5)
	7 PM	YOGA (FH)
Tuesday 2/26:	2 PM	Worship/Communion @ LVV
	6:30 PM	Sage Herbalists (FH)
Wednesday 2/27:	4 PM	Youth Choir
	6:30 PM	Adult Choir
	7 PM	Fellowship/Witness Meeting (C6)
	7 PM	GWOH (C8)
	7:30 PM	Bell Choir
Thursday 2/28:	9 AM	Blanket Day (FH)
Friday 3/1:	Pastor's Day Off	
Saturday 3/2:	5:30 PM	Worship/Communion Service
Sunday 3/3:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Adult SS /Catechism
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**\* February 24 © \***

Acolytes- Gentry & Jackson Sotosky & (8); Avery Custer & Danika Black (10:30)  
 Altar- Deb Hart, Thadeus Kovalik, & Diane Feathers (8); Jodi Tresnicky & Leisha Black (10:30)  
 Communion Assts- Bill Bergman & Sue Risch (8); Ron Tessari & Barry Springer (10:30)  
 Bread- Deb Hart (8); Lou Ann Reckner (10:30)  
 Lectors- Diane Miller (8); Pat Sleek (10:30)  
 Greeters- Rick Miller (8); Buck Sleek II (10:30)  
 Ushers-Bryan & Kristin Rabbitt (8); Scott & Stephanie Shirley, Marsha & Craig Parkins (10:30)  
 Worship Captain- Mary Jane McCready  
 Counters-Team 3: Bill & Sherri Andrews, Von & Marsha Parkins, Mark & Jana Von Lunen

THERE IS SOMETHING INFINITELY  
 HEALING IN THE REPEATED REFRAINS  
 OF NATURE - THE ASSURANCE  
 THAT DAWN COMES AFTER NIGHT,  
 AND SPRING AFTER WINTER.

- RACHEL ARSON



Shed the cold and snowiness and think SPRING! Join us for the next yoga series to bend and breathe and pray the new life of spring into our lives (eventually)! A new eight-week session will begin Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and end Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> (**there will be no classes April 8 and 15**). As always, there is a 9:30am and a 7pm class. The series is \$65 or \$10 per class drop-in. All classes are beginner PLUS. Please come and bring a friend - yoga is for everyBODY! Contact Elizabeth with questions 525-2894.