

Announcements

NOVEMBER 22, 2020



"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 Balance November 9, 2020	\$6,686.45
Unified Offerings 11/8/20	\$6,263.00
Altar Flowers	\$60.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$184.00
Online Giving	\$1,047.00
Subtotal	\$14,240.45
Payments	(\$1,826.57)
Ending Balance November 9, 2020	\$12,413.88
Beginning Balance November 16, 2020	\$12,413.88
Unified Offerings 11/15/20	\$2,160.00
Error on Deposit (Refurb Bells)	(\$500.00)
TRF from Temp Restricted	\$10,065.90
Online Giving	\$510.00
Amazon Smiles Deposit	\$13.48
Subtotal	\$24,663.26
Payments	(\$8,131.85)
Ending Balance November 16, 2020	\$16,531.41
<i>A weekly offering of \$6,526.00 in undesignated funds is required to meet the current obligations of the parish. The 2020 budget is \$339,390.00</i>	
Temporary Restricted (Designated) Fund Offerings November 15th	
Endowment Fund	\$135.00
Youth	\$25.00
Attendance for November 15, 2020- 8:00 AM- 34 10:30 AM-37 for a total of 71.	



December 24th, 2020 Christmas Eve Services, we will have three worship times available at

4:30 PM, 7:30 PM, & 10:30 PM. Due to COVID-19 guidelines the seating will be limited to **75** people upstairs and **45** people downstairs in the fellowship hall per each service. **Reservations are strongly encouraged.** You can call the church office and leave a message with your name and # attending and which service time or you can email secretary@stdavidslutheran.org



As part of the Covid Response Team, you will be receiving an Advent Devotional in

the mail prior to the start of Advent. We hope you will find this Devotional useful in preparing our hearts and minds to receive the Greatest Gift of our Savior Jesus.



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.



Volunteers Needed! One usher is needed at the 8am service & One Communion Assistant is needed at the 10:30am services on November 29th. Please call the office 479-4110 if you are able to fill any of these openings.



Contact Trace Forms

Please make sure when you sign in on the contact trace forms you write the **names of those attending the service, not just the family name.** These sheets are used to track individual attendance by the church secretary.



Pastor Faron will be taking vacation time from November 12th-26th. During that time Pastor Johnson will still be available for emergencies should they occur. You can contact the pastor at 570-246-3031 during this period of time.




Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries is a wonderful ministry that serves people in our Synod area. In recent weeks they have asked that pastors respond to a questionnaire about the needs of people in our area. After doing so, they asked for further questionnaires to be distributed to the members of our congregations. You will find these in the Narthex as you enter or leave the building. Please consider taking the time to fill out and return a questionnaire to help this most valuable ministry help others. Thank you.



The Children & Youth Team is looking for any families (EVERYONE with or without children/youth!) willing to make a short video for our "Virtual Christmas

Pageant!" Things obviously look different this year, and we thought it might be a nice moment to try something completely different. We are looking for people to read, sing, write, dance, or whatever your contribution might be! Because of the social distancing measures in place, we thought we would ask families to contribute in their own way in their own time. The plan is to compile these videos into a longer video of our congregation sharing their input from their homes (or wherever you may end up filming). We are still brainstorming how to make this work, so if you are interested in helping, please contact Stormie Cannistraci. If you are interested in participating in some way, please also contact Stormie Cannistraci at stormiegclark@gmail.com or text/call 724.689.7342.

 We have three open seats on the St. David's Church Council. If anyone is interested in filling these vacancies, please see Pastor Faron Johnson or Council President, Dave Barabas.





Attention Youth!!

The Children and Youth Team is so excited to

announce that we will be travelling to Minneapolis, Minnesota in summer 2022 for the ELCA Youth Gathering! Any youth currently in grades 7-11 are eligible to attend.

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives. The Gathering was originally scheduled for summer 2021, but due to concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been rescheduled to July 24-28, 2022.

The Children and Youth Team will be hosting 2 virtual events on **Tuesday, November 24th** and **Sunday, December 6th at 7:00 PM**. During these events, youth and their families can find out more information about what the Gathering will look like and what preparing for the Gathering will involve. This will be a time to ask any questions you may have. Please know that attending either of these events is not a commitment to attending the Gathering; official registration will take place in early 2021.

If you are interested in attending one of the 2 virtual events, either sign up in the narthex outside the sanctuary, or you can contact Lindsie Hammaker at 814-381-9461 or lhammaker29@gmail.com. Additionally, if you cannot attend one of the virtual events, but are still interested in finding out more information about the Gathering, please contact Lindsie Hammaker.



St. David's 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 blue tubs in the narthex. Thank you for your faithful commitment to this ministry!




The **2021 flower chart** is on the wall across from the bulletin board. The cost is \$30.00 (1 vase) or \$60.00 (2 vases) each Sunday. Please fill out completely, writing for whom the flowers are given in memory of or in honor of and by whom they are given. ***Please return the white containers from the flower arrangements by Friday, so the florist can pick up. *** On Sundays following the 10:30 AM service you make take the Altar flowers. **PREPAYMENT OF ALTAR FLOWERS IS NOW REQUIRED.** Please take and envelope, fill it out and drop in offering plate the week before your signed-up date or call the church office with any questions.



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. Questions please call the church office 479-4110.

Schedule of Upcoming Events in the Parish
 ~ Please check the website calendar for the most up to date events ~

Sunday 11/22:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
Monday 11/23:	6:30 PM	Youth & Children (Zoom)
Thursday 11/26:	Church Office Closed	
Friday 11/27:	Church Office Closed	
Sunday 11/29:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School/Catechism
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
Monday 11/30:	Secretary Off~ Office hours will vary, please call ahead 479-4110	

November 22 *Worship Volunteers

8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<u>Communion Assistants</u> Doug & Linda Shrader	<u>Communion Assistants</u> Tonya Telenko & Avery Custer
<u>Lector</u> Erin Sotosky	<u>Lector</u> Sarah Worst
<u>Ushers</u> Leo & Ronna Marisa	<u>Ushers</u> Mike & Melissa Grose
Counters -Team 1: Bill & Pat Bergman, Lou Ann Reckner, Alan Mankamy, Sue Risch & Deb Hart	

All communion assistants should go downstairs to serve those in vehicles listening to the service.



ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS SEASON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bringing All Members of St. David's Together During COVID-19

Plan to be a part of the activities:

- ❖ Devotions and activities for every household – *See Bulletin Announcement*
- ❖ Collecting items needed by community groups – *See Bulletin Insert*
- ❖ **SAVE THE DATE... Sunday, December 20th, 2020 –**
Advent Outdoor Evening at the Church.

More detailed information will be in the December Messenger!