

Announcements

SEPTEMBER 20, 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 September 7, 2020	\$14,037.99
Unified Offerings 9/6/20	\$2,859.00
Online Giving	\$875.00
Subtotal	\$17,771.99
Payments	(\$7,367.25)
Ending Balance September 7, 2020	\$10,404.74
Beginning Balance September 14, 2020	\$10,404.74
Unified Offerings 9/13/20	\$4,239.00
Online Giving	\$1,060.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$374.00
Subtotal	\$16,077.74
Payments	(\$1,640.26)
Ending Balance September 14, 2020	\$14,437.48
<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 September 13, 2020	
Capital Campaign	\$775.00
GWOH	\$200.00
World Hunger	\$25.00
Attendance for September 13, 2020- 8:00 AM- 31 10:30 AM- 33 for a total of 64.	



God's Work Our Hands Sunday 2020 is now history! Last Sunday 38 St. David's households provided 17 cakes, 18 packs of 4 dozen cookies,

14 pans of brownies, and 21 loaves of bread for the Somerset County Meals on Wheels program that serves persons throughout the county. That is a lot of sweets! Enough sweets, in fact, for two weeks of dessert for the program! Thank you to everyone who participated! Because of you and your hands God's work of loving others is alive and well even amidst this challenging pandemic!

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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



The Word in Season or Christ in Our Home booklets for October, November & December are here, and copies are available for pick on the table in the narthex on Sundays.



Sunday, October 4th, is our annual Blanket Sunday. You will have the opportunity to support this worthwhile project by donating \$5.00, which will purchase one new blanket. Envelopes are on the table in the narthex.



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.



The Sunday morning Worship Services are available on the St. David's Facebook Page and on YouTube.

Also services are posted to the church website www.stdavidsluthearn.org



BOSCOV'S
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DEPARTMENT STORE

On October 14th & 15th Boscov's Department Store will donate 5% of you purchase to the charity of your choice. Please mention St. David's Lutheran Church when you shop there.



There are still a couple of worship volunteer (lector, usher or communion assistant) opportunities open for the month of October. Please email secretary@stdavidslutheran.org if you are able to help out. Thank you!

October 2020
An Invitation to Pray

*"And Jesus said to them,
"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into his harvest."
(Luke 10:2 ESV)*

To the Churches and Faithful People of the Allegheny Synod:

Next June we will gather and elect our next Bishop. You are invited to start praying now. Please pray that the Holy Spirit would move among us, to strengthen us to elect a faithful person who will lead and guide us as the Body of Christ in this Synod.

The Augsburg Confession lists the following as the role of the Bishop: *"...according to the gospel the power of the keys or of the bishops is a power and command of God to preach the gospel, to forgive or retain sins, and to administer and distribute the sacraments."* The Book of Concord further adds that the bishop is to maintain good order, and ordain ministers to serve and build up the Body of Christ. We pray for God's Will to be done in calling the next person to the office of Bishop.

While we pray for the call of our next Bishop, we also pray for the people of our Churches. Next June we will also elect people to serve on Synod Council, and the various committees of the Synod. You all have spiritual gifts to share. Perhaps the Lord is also calling you to serve, to help build up the Body of Christ.

Let us pray:

O Lord of Heaven and Earth: We seek your Will in selecting our next Bishop. The World is so full of trouble right now. Be present among us, O Lord, and open our hearts to the needs of the people in our churches, in our communities, and even in this world. Let us hear your call to serve. Prepare us to go and preach and teach the Holy Gospel. Lead us in Your Pathways, O Lord, for the harvest is plentiful, and laborers are needed. Amen and amen!



The next Red Cross bloodmobile will be held on Monday, September 28th from 12-5:30 PM. PLEASE NOTE

that the location has been moved to the Conemaugh Twp Fire Hall (1942 Krings St, Tire Hill) and NOT AT ST. DAVID'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Sequanota

Upcoming Events - Fall 2020

Phone: (814) 629 - 6627 Email: contact@sequanota.com

Volunteer Appreciation Fellowship Hour

September 20 from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Join us on a Zoom call to thank volunteers, share a camp update, and play a silly game.

Zoom link on the website: www.sequanota.com

Service & Sabbath: a trail retreat

Two weekends: Sept 25-27 & Oct 9-11

Cost: \$50/cabin for the weekend

Meal package - Sat B/L/S & Sun breakfast

\$35/adult — \$25/child (5-12) — \$10 lunch only

Reserve a cabin for the full weekend, one night, or just come for the day and help us restore some of our beloved trails at camp. Each cabin will be assigned a table for meals, physically distanced from other guests. Registration and tentative schedule online. www.sequanota.com

Adult Day Study: October 8; 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cost: \$10 includes lunch

Pastor Nathan will lead a study on the Babylonian captivity and the parallels to today. Bring a Bible (any translation) and a pen or pencil. Dress comfortably, we will meet on the back porch of the Bowersox Center. Please register with the office by calling (814) 629-6627 or email contact@sequanota.com.



KNOTTY LADIES will meet this month from 9AM until noon on Thursday, September 24th.



CONNECTING GENERATIONS:

The Children and Youth Team are generating ideas to connect our youth with older members of the church. (This could be anyone not considered children and youth!) Maybe that means penpals, Zoom calls, questionnaires, porch visits, book recommendations, etc. The sky's the limit!

If you have ideas or are interested in participating, please contact Stormie Cannistraci at stormiegclark@gmail.com or 724.689.7342 (text/call).



St. David's has an Amazon Smile account. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchases to St. David's. (Your Amazon Prime will be recognized) When you want to make a purchase through Amazon go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/25-1145258>

ALSM Presents

Healthy Harvest Virtual Speakers Series

ALSM is excited to share with you our virtual Health Harvest Speakers Series that will feature a variety of guest presenters sharing information on nutrition, safety, and overall well-being.

Moving can be very difficult. Often, individuals struggle with where to begin? What items should I keep and discard?

The first session on September 23rd at 2 PM will feature Bridget Donnelly, of Donnelly's Estate Liquidation & Appraisal Services, LLC. Bridget will share tips and suggestions to assist in the process of downsizing your home and preparing for a move.

To register, please contact Andrea Schurr at andrea.schurr@alsm.org or 814.696.4516. Prior to presentation, you will receive your log-on information for your virtual session. We look forward to "seeing" you soon!

Schedule of Upcoming Events in the Parish

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

Sunday 9/20:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	12 PM	Council Meeting (FH9)
Monday 9/21:	6 PM	Pastor's Bible Study (N)
Wednesday 9/23:	7 PM	GWOH (C16)
Thursday 9/24:	9 AM	Blanket Day (FH9)
Friday 9/25:	<i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	
Sunday 9/27:	8 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	10:30 AM	Worship/Communion Service
	11:30 AM	Learning Team (FH9)

*September 20 *Worship Volunteers*

8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Communion Assistants Ronna Marisa & Ed Hart	Communion Assistants Tonya Telenko & Gail Berkebile
Lector Erin Sotosky	Lector Bill Bergman
Ushers Tom & Deb Harris	Ushers Sis Barabas & Jeff Rowe
Counters-Team 4: Dennis Naugle, Tim Telenko, Nick Hunsberger & Erika Winters-Rowe	



Are you ready for Sunday School to begin? We are too! The decision was made to delay our start to October, although that too could change. Council continues to discuss the reopening of our faith community in the safest way possible and this will provide time for families to adjust to whatever September may bring. Once our start date is confirmed, registration forms will be sent in the mail and made available at each service. Additional details will be provided as they are received. We are in need of Sunday School teachers for various age groups. Current teachers will be stretched too thin to meet the needs of the classes we currently offer without additional volunteers. We appreciate those willing to help or substitute, but we need to find teachers. Without, notifications will be sent via Remind to alert parents to a particular class being cancelled for the upcoming Sunday. Please consider branching out and devoting your time to helping our youth grow and explore their faith. You just might find it strengthens yours too! Our next Learning Team meeting is scheduled for September 27th at 11:30am. Contact Sarah Worst (sworst@atlanticbb.net)



Let's have a (socially distanced) campfire! The Children & Youth and Learning Teams are cordially inviting all children/youth and their families to a socially distanced campfire on Sunday, October 11 from 3pm-5pm. We will provide paper goods, condiments, drinks, chips, s'mores, and fire sticks. Please bring chairs, hot dogs, buns, and a mask! Masks are required indoors and when social distance cannot be maintained. Join us for some fellowship and fun! Sign up by calling, texting, or emailing Stormie Cannistraci at 724.689.7342/stormiegclark@gmail.com OR sign up in the Narthex by Wednesday, October 7th.