

St. David's Ev. Lutheran Church
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Davidsville, PA 15928

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

Church Web Site: WWW.STDAVIDSLUTHERAN.ORG

Church Office: 814.479.4110

The Messenger
May 2024

June Messenger
Deadline is Monday, May 13

From the Pastor's desk

May is the month the church celebrates Pentecost Sunday and the arrival of the Holy Spirit to the Church. Our lectionary readings for late spring, summer and fall change from being about the life of Jesus to the teachings of Jesus.

One of the challenges of the Lutheran Church and the mainline Protestant denominations face is fewer people available for call to congregations and fewer people to cover for pastors when they are on vacation or situations like when I was away earlier this year for my knee replacement surgery. One of the ways I was able to insure the worship services at St. David's were covered was the availability of Lay Worship Leader, Dave Finney. Dave led worship twice while I was away. In order to become a Lay Worship Leader, Dave attended a series of classes and workshops on preaching, the Bible, Lutheran heritage, and worship leadership. He then became certified as a Lay Worship Leader in the Allegheny Synod. St. David's is also blessed to have Bishop Emeritus Pile, Pastor Hoover, and Pastor Ilgenfritz as members of the congregation who have been willing to step up and consecrate elements for the Lay Worship Leader, so that the Sacrament of Holy Communion can be served.

The reason why I am writing about this is that Dave Finney has decided to fully retire and he and his wife are moving shortly to West Virginia. By the end of summer, with this life transition, Dave will no longer be available to serve as a Lay Worship Assistant in the Allegheny Synod. I am very grateful for his service to St. David's and the Allegheny Synod as a Lay Worship Assistant and for his service as the Secretary of the Allegheny Synod.

Lay Worship Assistants can serve any congregation in the Allegheny Synod; however, they are to provide coverage for their home congregation in the event the pastor is unable to secure a rostered leader to lead worship on a given Sunday. There are some Lay Worship Assistants who regularly lead worship on Sunday mornings; for others, it is more sporadic. I am asking you to pray and discern if you are gifted to be a Lay Worship Assistant and that if so, the Holy Spirit will lead you to enroll in the Lay Worship Assistant program. Your initial reaction may be, "***Not Me. I can't possibly stand up in front of all these people and preach a sermon much less lead worship.***" In my Pentecost sermon, I will ask the question: "***Are you pentecostal?***" Does that mean you speak in tongues? Does that mean you heal people? NO! This question is designed to have you seek in your heart that you allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide your actions and words.

If you have any questions and/or are interested in learning more about the Lay Worship Assistant program, please call me to schedule a time for us to talk.

Gratefully,

Pastor Mark W. Fischer

According to the calendar our Polka service is coming up on June 23, 2024 there will only be one service that day at 9:30 am. All music will be provided by Rosie and the Jammers, after the service we invite everyone to join us for a day of food, music, games, and fun for the whole family. Food will start being served at noon, our menu will consist of traditional Polish food and we will also have kids meals. We hope to see you there!

In preparation for this event, we need volunteers for various tasks. On Friday, June 21, 2024, at 9 am, we need help with cabbage preparation and cookie baking. On June 22, 2024, at noon, volunteers are needed to make stuffed cabbage and haluski. Volunteers will also be needed the day of the event to assist with games, and food service. Your assistance ensures a successful and enjoyable festival for all. Thank you for your support!"

ST. DAVID'S LUTHERAN

POLISH

FESTIVAL

GAMES - FOOD - POLKA

JUNE 23, 2024 | SUNDAY
POLKA SERVICE AT 9:30 AM
FESTIVAL NOON TO 4PM

MENU:
PIGS IN A BLANKET
HALUSKI
KIELBASI AND KRAUT
KIDS MENU:
MAC AND CHEESE
HOT DOGS

MUSIC PROVIDED BY
ROSIE AND THE JAMMERS




Birthdays

- 2 Bowen Bridges
Alexa Fetterman
Ashlyn Fetterman
Tracy Kauffman
Shirley Stevens***541 E. Campus Ave,
Davidsville, PA 15928
Alan Waters
- 3 Kathleen Frederick
Brady Kist
Jennifer Kist
- 4 Wayne Adams
Deborah Harris
Lou Ann Reckner
- 5 Pepper Frick
Gloria Ott
Ava Shrivastava
- 6 Edward Naugle***1010 W. Campus Ave.
Hollsopple, PA 15935
Willow Oaks
Cora Oswalt
Carol Yoder***321 Plank Road,
Hollsopple, PA 15935
- 7 Noah Golias
Carol Kauffman***192 Kaufman Church
Rd. Davidsville, PA 15928
Kyla Rowe
- 8 Aaron Griffith
Cassandra Griffith
Ella Mankamyer
- 9 Melvin Conner
Antonella Russo
Jean Varner
- 10 Steve Golias
- 11 Mandy Harrington
Katie Jones
Alex Rosa***118 Hillcrest Ave.
Davidsville, PA 15928
Walter Schneck
- 12 Brayden Mandel
Ted Risch
- 13 Hayley Thomas
Gideon Tresnicky
- 14 Heather McCormick
- 15 Roger Kerekes

- William Rouser III
- Joshua Summits
- 16 Stephanie Buncich
- 18 Avery Custer
Jennifer Valentine
- 19 Olive Studer
- 21 Christine Heiser
Amari LuRue
- 22 Abigail Luscher
- 23 Allison Folton
Grace Mitchell
Tim Risch
- 24 Gwen Boyer
Megan Heiser
Rachel Thomas-Kimmel
- 25 Robert Figard
Owen Zoldey
- 26 Yvonne Krassnoski
Wendy Telenko
- 27 Alan Mankamyer
Eugene Spangler***1000 Vista Dr.
Apt. 906, Davidsville, PA 15928
James Wright
- 28 Diane Feathers
Ludwig Hruska
Paul Newman
Jeana Sweeney
- 29 Andrea Zern
- 30 Peter Von Lunen
- 31 Jon Allison
Clarence Hart Jr.***154 Cherry Tree Drive
Davidsville, PA 15928
Isaac Marsh
Mesa Mishler
Zane Troxell

If we've missed you, please let us know so we can recognize you properly!



***Please remember the following people with a card as they remember their 80+ birthdays. Please contact the church office (814-479-4110) for additions or corrections.



Group Updates: Text @stdavidmen to 81010



Interim Pastor Mark Fischer
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Brian Byer, Financial Secretary
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Jessica Brewer, Office Secretary
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 814-479-4110 (church office)

Brad Kaufman, Custodian



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 recur.



Tire Hill Covenant Brethren Church

Saturday, May 11, 2024

9:00 - 2:00

Door Prize

Coffee Social and Bake Sale

Money raised will go toward outdoor lighting repair or replacement.

Clutch • Hoops • Bangles • Satchel • Cosmetics • Crossbody Bag • Wristlet

Basket Party

Includes Dinner Catered by Anthony's



Benefits our Friend
Dave Maddy, Jr.

His story...

Dave has suffered with back pain for many years, fall of last year he went for an injection. Little did he know that in a few short weeks he would be left paralyzed from the waist down. As a result Dave has lost not only his freedom but his successful construction company which he owned for over 20 years. Because Dave was self employed he can't get much help. Please help us show him how much we all support him on his road to recovery. Btw – Dave LOVES Basket Parties!

Sunday, June 2nd, 2024

Doors Open at 11:30 am

Richland Fire Hall

50/50 • Pull Tickets • \$5 / per extra sheet

Tickets \$20 / per person

*no baskets containing alcohol are permitted

Basket donations & ticket info @ 814-242-4086

If you are unable to attend but would still like to make a donation
 Please visit: <https://gofund.me/549c11f8>

Welcome
 to our
Church Family



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.



Sonya Andrews *Lauren Bungard *Mike Grose*Deb Harris* Cathy Lilly
 Jill Mitchell*Sue Risch *Doug Shrader
 Ronna Marisa* Angie McKool * Bob Troxell



814-479-7390

Jennifer Percinsky: Director

Gina Yacynych: Preschool 3 Lead Teacher

Megan Fiebiger, Preschool 4 Lead Teacher

Janet Lord: Assistant Preschool 3-4 Teacher

Pam Carhart: Assistant Preschool 3-4 Teacher

Niki Cable: Assistant Preschool 3-4 Teacher

Brianna Mohle: PM Assistant Teacher

Stacie Opett: PM Assistant Teacher

Halie Griffie, Asst. Group Supervisor



St. David's Learning Place would like to wish our friends Brody and Penelope a very happy birthday!



We are currently seeking staff members to join our team for the 2024-2025 school year. All inquiries must be willing to obtain all

PA childcare clearances, CPR/first aid, fire safety, and all other required trainings.

St. David's Learning Place still has spots available for Preschool 4 for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please contact Jen 814.479.7390 or learningplacest Davids@gmail.com

LEARNING PLACE BOARD MEMBERS

Rachel Kimmel, Angie McKool, Jerrod Cannistraci, Linda Shrader, Joyce Gindlesperger, Cindy Liska, Patty Rullo & Cathy Lilly.



Carl "Pete" Lehman

Leo & Ronna Marisa

Are you interested in becoming a foster or adoptive parent, or just learning more information? Somerset County Children and Youth is hosting a "Circus" themed informational day on May 11, 2024, from 10am to 2pm at St. David's Lutheran Church Hall. This event will provide games for children or adults young at heart, food, games, cotton candy, and popcorn. Feel free to invite your friends who may be interested. If you have any questions, please give Stephanie Merberger a call or text at 814-418-7295.



PANCAKES AND PRAISE

Guess speaker:
Doug Garman


@
Lions Club
Davidsville

Contact:
814-619-1232

May, 11
7:30 am

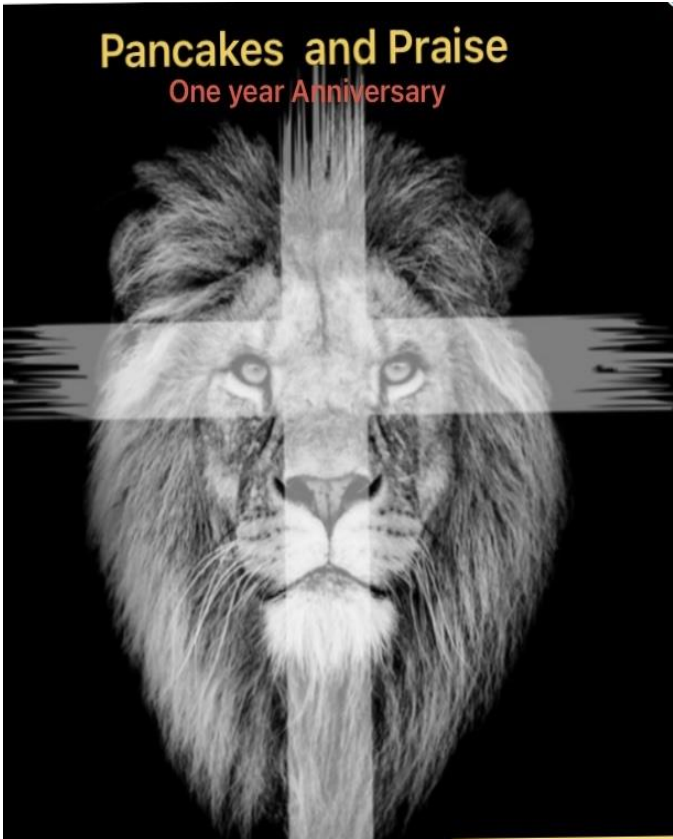
Behind the post office

For Just men



Pancakes and Praise

One year Anniversary



Guest speaker:
Mike Swank

Men only

June, Sat. 1
7:30
@
Davidsville
Lions club



KEYSTONE
FAMILY ALLIANCE

Keystone Family Alliance is hosting Show Hope's "Hope for the Journey Conference" on Saturday, May 4th from 9am-4pm at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church 1845 N. Center Ave. Somerset. This free simulcast conference is designed to encourage and equip parents and caregivers meeting the everyday needs of children impacted by adoption and/or foster care. It is also a much-needed resource for churches, agencies, teachers, and organizations in their care and support of the families and communities they serve. Register at <https://www.keyfam.org/events> under "Hope for the Journey" and contact lydia@keyfam.org with questions or for more info.

St. David's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Davidsville, PA 15928
Council Meeting minutes
April 4th, 2024

Call to order / Biblical reflection and Prayer

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM
Prayer led by Pastor Mark Fischer

Roll / Excuse Absences

Present members: Mike Grose, Cathy Lilly, Sonya Andrews, Sue Risch, Lauren Bungard, Ronna Marisa, Angie McKool, Jill Mitchell, and Doug Shrader
Absent members were Deb Harris and Bob Troxell

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes via e-mail

Agenda

Motion was made by Jill Mitchell and seconded by Lauren Bungard to approve the agenda. All in favor, none opposed, none abstained, motion passed

Pastor's Report

May 3rd attending Lancaster Theological Seminary Alumni Day
New Members will be received April 21st at 10:30 AM Service.

Unfinished Business

All Teams meeting – nothing to report.
First National Bank. Motion made by Doug Shrader and seconded by Jill Mitchell. Jessica will take the deposit to the bank on Mondays and if she is off, the counters for that Sunday will take the deposit.
All in favor, none opposed, none abstained, motioned carried.

New Business

Finance & Stewardship Teams are recommending to Council that St David's tithe \$4,000.00 on the \$40,000 used out of the Endowment Fund to fund the pastors call fund and the sealing of the church in 2029. This \$40,000 came from gains since the fund was started. This does not affect the new increased base of \$125,000 that council approved earlier this year. Angie McKool made a motion to tithe the \$4,000.00 and it was seconded by Ronna

Marisa. Nine approved, one abstained. Council, Stewardship & Finance Teams to come up with suggestions as to where the \$4,000.00 could go.

Motion by Doug Shrader and seconded by Mike Grose to pay the Pastors phone bill. The monthly bill is not to exceed \$100.00. All in were in favor.

Brad had asked to purchase new mats in the narthex. Motion made by Jill Mitchell to have Brad purchase new mats, seconded by Cathy Lilly, all in favor, none opposed, none abstained, motion passed.

Services on the last Sunday of the months June, July, and August will have the 8:00 service inside and the 10:30 outside.

Guest

Sherri Andrews presented the Ministry Site Profile. The Call Committee met and worked on filling out the report. Sherri asked council to review the Profile and asked about if there were any changes.

Next meeting will be April 25th @7:00 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Minutes taken by Sue Risch, submitted by Deborah Harris, Secretary



2024 ALTAR FLOWER CHART is located on the wall across from the bulletin board. The cost is \$40.00 per vase. Fill out what is to be printed in the announcement sheet on the chart. On Sundays following the 10:30 AM service you make take the Altar flowers. If there is anyone that has signed up for flowers in remembrance of a loved one and does not want the flowers, please mark **“Take to LVV”** on the chart by Sunday morning. Please return the white containers from the flower arrangements by Friday. **PREPAYMENT OF ALTAR FLOWERS IS REQUIRED.**

* May 5 (Communion) *

Acolytes- **NEED VOLUNTEERS (8); NEED VOLUNTEERS (10:30)**
 Altar- Ronna Marisa (8); Sherri & Sonya Andrews (10:30)
 Cantors – Gail Berkebile (8); Choir (10:30)
 Communion Assts- Doug & Linda Shrader (8); Patty Rullo & Sonya Andrews (10:30)
 Lectors – Ronna Marisa (8); Patty Rullo (10:30)
 Ushers- Ed & Deb Hart (8); Buck & Pam Sleek (10:30)
 Counters- Dennis Naugle, Deb Hart & Sue Risch

* May 12 (Intinction) Youth Sunday/Rite of Confirmation @ 10:30am

Acolytes- Lexi Byer (8); **St David's Youth (10:30)**
 Altar- Deb Harris (8); Gail Berkebile (10:30)
 Cantors – Wendy Figard (8); Choir (10:30)
 Communion Assts- Tom & Deb Harris (8); **St David's Youth (10:30)**
 Lectors – Deb Harris (8); **St David's Youth (10:30)**
 Ushers- Dennis & Kathy Naugle (8); **St David's Youth (10:30)**
 Counters- Sherri & Bill Andrews, Sonya Andrews

* May 19 (Intinction) *

Acolytes- Sotosky Family (8); **NEED VOLUNTEERS (10:30)**
 Altar- Linda Shrader (8); Lou Ann Reckner (10:30)
 Cantors –Judy Brotz (8); Choir (10:30)
 Communion Assts-Sotosky Family (8); Mary Jane McCready & Lou Ann Reckner (10:30)
 Lectors –Erin Sotosky (8); Mary Jane McCready (10:30)
 Ushers- Sotosky Family (8); Jack Winters & Jeff Rowe (10:30)
 Counters- Dave & Cindy Liska & Jean Magdelinic

* May 26 * (Communion)

Acolytes- **NEED VOLUNTEERS (8); NEED VOLUNTEERS (10:30)**
 Altar- Luana Eppley (8); Mandi Tercek (10:30)
 Cantors –Gail Berkebile (8); Pr. Nathan Pile (10:30)
 Communion Assts- Doug & Linda Shrader (8); Greg & Cathy Lilly (10:30)
 Lectors – Linda Hoover (8); Bill Bergman (10:30)
 Ushers- Joe & Sue Risch (8); Greg & Cathy Lilly (10:30)
 Counters- Doug & Linda Shrader, Joyce Gindlesperger





We will be having 3 outdoor services this summer, June 30th, July 28th, and August 25th. All outdoor services will be held at 10:30AM; the 8AM service will be held inside the church on all days.



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!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Typical secretary office hours are Monday- Friday 9AM-3PM. Any changes to hours will be noted on the church calendar located on the website. www.stdavidslutheran.org For the most up to date schedule please check the calendar on the website.			1 6:30 PM Adult Choir 7:30 PM Bell Choir	2 7 PM JSO Community Strings (FH9)	3 6:30 PM P. Reynolds (FH9) Pastor Mark's Day off	4 2 PM P. Reynolds (FH9)
5 8 AM Worship/ Communion 9:15-9:30 AM Children's Choir 9:15 AM Sunday School/Catechism 10:30 AM Worship/ Communion 12 PM Cinco de Mayo Progressive Dinner (FH9 & K)	6 9 AM YOGA (FH9) 4:15 PM Girl Scouts (CR2) 6 PM Bible Study(21A-C) 7 PM VBS Meeting (FH9)	7	8 1 PM Staff Meeting (C19) 6:30 PM Adult Choir 7:30 PM Bell Choir	9 11 AM Muffins with Moms (FH9) 6:30 PM Worship & Music (P) 7 PM JSO Community Strings (FH9)	10 Pastor Mark's Day off	11 9 AM S. Merberger (FH9)
12 Mother's Day 8 AM Worship/ Communion 9:15-9:30 AM Children's Choir 9:15 AM Sunday School/Catechism 10:30 AM Youth Worship/ Communion/ Rite of Confirmation	13  9 AM YOGA (FH9) 6 PM Bible Study(21A-C)	14	15 6:30 PM Adult Choir 7:30 PM Bell Choir	16 6PM JSO Rehearsals (S) 7:30 PM JSO Community Strings Concert (S)	17 Pastor Mark's Day off	18
19 8 AM Worship/ Communion 9:15-9:30 AM Children's Choir 9:15 AM Sunday School Party (FH9) 10:30 AM Worship/ Communion	20 9 AM YOGA (FH9) 12 PM Blood Drive (FH9) 4:15 PM Girl Scouts (CR2) 6 PM Bible Study(21A-C)	21	22 5:15 PM LP Board Meeting (CR2) 6:00 PM Combined Fellowship/ W&M (FH9) 7 PM GWOH (C19)	23 9AM LP Picture (FH9) 11AM Learning Place Graduation & Refreshments (FH9 & S)	24 Pastor Mark's Day off	25
Church Secretary is on vacation ~ May 20-24~ call ahead to see if anyone is here 814-479-4110						
26 8 AM Worship/ Communion 9:15-9:30 AM Children's Choir 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship/ Communion	27 Office Closed-Holiday  <i>Remembering the people who died while serving</i>	28 6PM Sage Herbalists (FH9)	29	30 9 AM Blanket Day (FH9) 7 PM Council Meeting (FH9)	31	June 1
Pastor Mark is on vacation ~ May 28-June 2~						
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