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JANUARY, 2019 NEWSLETTER

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Ministers:	The People of St. David's Lutheran Church
Pastor:	Rev. LaDonna E. Thomas
Parish Administrator:	Pam Kemper
Music Director:	Jeff Good
Sexton:	Shirley Garrett
Communications Coordinator:	Debbie Peter
Treasurer:	Joan Barnes
Financial Secretary:	Sharon Blouse
Building Fund Treasurer:	Mack Warner
President:	Dave Hess
Vice-President:	Mack Warner
Secretary for Council:	Martha Rutledge



January 2019

Sun

Mon

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Fri

Sat

		1	2	3	4	5
		Happy New Year	12:00 p.m. Senior Sharing 7:00 P.M. Exercise No Worship	7:00 P.M. Congregational Growth Committee	Pastor's Day Off	10:00 A.M. move chairs & tables. 12:00 P.M. Cleaning of carpet
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8:00 & 10:45 A.M. Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Choir	Pam's vacation 7:00 P.M. Property Committee	6:00 P.M. Laundry Love 7:00 P.M. Bell Choir	7:00 P.M. Exercise No Worship	6:30 P.M. St. David's Book Club	Pastor's Day Off	8:30 A.M. P.A.L. 1:00 P.M. Rental of Social Hall
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:00 & 10:45 A.M. Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Choir 2:00 P.M. Hanover Fire Museum Tour 6:00 P.M. Youth Confirmation @ St. Bartholomew's	6:30 P.M. Bazaar Meeting	7:00 P.M. Bell Choir 8:00 P.M. Worship & Music Committee	7:00 P.M. Exercise 7:00 P.M. Worship	10:30 A.M. St. David's Book Study 7:00 P.M. Faith & Family Committee	Pastor's Day Off	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30	31		
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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS January 20th.

From the Pastor's Desk . . .

EXPERIENCING GOD - 4 UPCOMING EVENTS

Do you desire to grow deeper in your relationship to God? Are you ready to learn some new ways to pray and be in God's presence? One (or more) of the following events could be just the thing for you!

Experiencing God Through Scripture



Tuesday, January 29, 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.

or

Wednesday, January 30, 10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

This experience introduces participants to the ancient practice of lectio divina (divine reading). It is a way of reading the Scriptures whereby we gradually let go of our own agenda and open ourselves to what God wants to say to us.

Experiencing God Through Awareness *(a wine-tasting experience)*

February Date and location will be announced

Participants will be introduced to some basic techniques of wine tasting. Attention to smell, taste, and sight will offer new practices to being more attentive to God's presence. This event will be held off-site and will be limited to approximately 20 people.



Experiencing God Through Beauty *(trip to National Cathedral in Washington DC)*

March date to be announced

Participants will travel to the National Cathedral, have a brief tour, and then be led in prayer practices that make use of the beauty of the stained glass, sculpture and/or architecture of the cathedral. There will be a nominal admission fee to the cathedral. The group will be limited to approximately 12 people.

Experiencing God Through Nature and Movement

Sunday, April 28, 3:00 - 4:30 P.M. (rain date May 5)

This "pilgrimage" through a local state park's hiking trails will invite participants to journey from "just a walk in the woods" to a contemplative experience with God.



I hope to see you at one or more of these events to grow and move deeper in your life of prayer and experience of God's presence.

In the joy of serving Christ and community with you,

Pastor LaDonna

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Invite a friend!

SUNDAYS:	Traditional Worship	8:00 A.M.
	Fellowship time	9:15 A.M.
	Sunday School	9:30 A.M.
	Adult Choir	9:30 A.M.
	Blended Worship	10:45 A.M.

WEDNESDAYS: Brief service with Communion at 7:00 P.M.

THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICES HELD ON JANUARY 2nd OR 9th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS HELD AT 9:30 A.M. FOR AGES 3- ADULT. Their locations are:

- Preschool - K – in the nursery – Teachers: Hattie Evans
- 1st to 3rd Grade – first classroom on the left walking up to the Sanctuary from the Fellowship Hall – Teachers: Deb Sanders and Melissa Miller.
- 4th – 7th Grade – second classroom on the left walking up to the Sanctuary from the Fellowship Hall– Teachers: Jackie Lake and Eric Baumgardner.
- Adult Class – in the library - Teachers: Chuck Baumgardner, Mary Kessler, and Mack Warner.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Jan. 6 – Feb. 10 – ***Start Becoming A Good Samaritan*** – John Ortberg

Becoming a Good Samaritan—an unprecedented initiative to help Christians live out Christ's love in world-changing ways right where they live. This groundbreaking training program helps small groups, families, entire churches, and organizations of every size explore the most pressing issues of our time—then start actually doing something about them. Join teacher, speaker, and award-winning author John Ortberg as he hosts six emotionally packed sessions featuring a remarkable array of global Christian leaders, including Eugene Peterson, Philip Yancey, Matthew Sleeth, Jim Cymbala, Chuck Colson, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Brenda Salter McNeil, Kay Warren, Joni Eareckson Tada, Rob Bell, Shane Claiborne, and many others.

ST. DAVID'S BOOK CLUB AND BOOK STUDY

ST DAVID'S BOOK CLUB will be meeting Thursday, January 10th at 6:30 P.M. The book is "Redemption" by Karen Kingsbury with Gary Smalley.

ST. DAVID'S BOOK STUDY will be meeting Thursday, January 17th at 10:30 A.M.

SENIOR SHARING

Name change from RAP (Retired Aged Persons). Our group decided we needed a name to better reflect who we are and cause instant recognition. We are a group of retired and/or senior aged individuals who meet the first Wednesday of the month in the fellowship hall at 12:00 Noon. Everyone brings a covered dish to share along with a bingo prize. We eat, have a VERY short meeting along with a prayer and then play bingo. If you are a senior and/or retired aged person, come and give us a try. It is a great way to share Faith, Food, Fun and Fellowship.

HANOVER FIRE MUSEUM TOUR on January 13th at 2:00 P.M. Everyone is invited. There will be a sign-up sheet so we know how many are going. The museum is located at 134 E. Hanover St, Hanover, PA. You may find more about what to expect on their website at www.hanoverfiremuseum.com



Project Costs:	Total Costs:
	\$465,177.67
Capital Campaign	\$ 18,141.67
Donald B. Smith (roof)	\$ 45,400.00
Wood Haven (insulation)	\$14,700.00
Spangler & Boyer (heating system)	\$13,286.00
Arthur Funk Const.(narthex)	\$373,650.00
Principal Balance MIF Loan	\$29,081.15
Northwest Savings Money Market	\$8,494.39
MIF Money Market	\$17,108.75
Needed to pay off MIF Loan	\$3,478.01

COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

At Council’s December meeting, the following council members were elected to serve as officers for 2019.

Officers:

President: Dave Hess
 Vice President: Mack Warner
 Secretary: Martha Rutledge

Appointed by Council:

Treasurer: Joan Barnes
 Financial Secretary: Sharon Blouse
 Building Fund Treasurer: Mack Warner

PINK ENVELOPE'S DESIGNATION

January – March	Hanover Area Council of Churches
April – June	Pleasant Hill Fire Company
July – September	Olivia's House
October – December	Laundry Love

PROPERTY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP on January 5th at 10:00 A.M. to move tables and chairs out of the fellowship hall so the carpets can be cleaned at 12:00 P.M.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL, POT LUCK DINNER, AND CAKE (AND OTHER STUFF) AUCTION TO BENEFIT THE ST. DAVID'S SANCTUARY BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT SPONSORED BY THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Please join the Congregational Growth Committee on Saturday night, February 9, 2019 at 5:30 P.M. for an evening filled with good food, good friends, great sundaes, and a fun filled auction. Our evening begins with an old fashioned covered dish dinner. The cooks in this congregation bring their favorite dishes and you don't want to miss these. Fried chicken, drinks, and all the ice cream you can eat will be provided. We have never run out of sprinkles!! After we have finished eating, we begin our auction. It is a hilarious evening out-bidding your friends, family, and neighbors for one, or many of the donated items. This started out as the favorite cakes of all time, but in addition, there have been handmade quilts, beautifully crafted wooden boxes and chests, Hilda's fudge, and baskets filled with everything you need to have a family movie night. There is something for all ages to enjoy, but, most importantly, it is a mid-winter time of fun and joyful congregational interaction. This activity has been part of St. David's tradition for many years, and we hope it becomes part of your yearly church life. See you there!! Mark your calendars, February 9th at 5:30 P.M.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

We will be holding our annual "Souper Bowl" collection. Right now we don't know who the teams are, but by January 20th the boxes will be marked. One team will be collecting Chicken Noodle soup and the other will be collecting Beef Vegetable soup. The collection will go from January 20th to February 3rd. So come out and support your favorite team.

Have you considered what the best way is to pass your estate to your heirs?



A proper estate plan will determine how to best transfer what you own to those you love in a manner you desire with the least amount of cost. A will or trust can assure that your children are cared for, your wealth is transferred, and your wishes for the next generation are clear.

On **Sunday, March 17, 2019**, during the Sunday School hour at 9:30 A.M., Attorney Jennifer Stetter will be presenting a program on the value of wills and or trusts as an essential tool in estate planning for all members of our congregation.

Do you ever wish you could do more to assure the continued ministry of St David's?

Planned giving can provide larger gifts and at the same time offer great benefits to the donor. Planned giving can actually save taxes now, save taxes for your heirs, avoid capital gains, and increase your income.

On **Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.**, we will have a very informative program available to all interested members of the congregation to learn more about how you can benefit from planned giving as a part of your life. Please watch for additional information on how you and your family can benefit the ministry of St David's and further support your favorite charities.

P.A.L. (PROVIDE-A-LUNCH)

Volunteers are needed to cook, serve the meal, and clean up after the meal on the 2nd Saturday of each month for the Hanover Area Council of Churches (HACC). Our next Saturday to serve is January 12th between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Come for all or part of this outreach ministry. The location is 136 Carlisle Street, Hanover. Please contact Martha Rutledge if you have any questions.



HANOVER AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES' FOOD BANK REQUESTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

Scalloped potatoes, Sauerkraut, Sugar, Ketchup, Coffee, & Coffee Creamer.

Please place your donations in the basket in the church narthex.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

01/02	Edna Rickrode	01/15	Jackie Lake
01/02	Eric Zwolinski	01/16	Bob Fulton
01/04	Athena Good	01/16	Kelly Honeycutt
01/07	Dave Bixler	01/22	Chester Utz
01/07	Joe Wise	01/22	Kathy Meckley
01/09	Diane Wensel	01/23	Bob Waskiewicz
01/09	Melissa Munk	01/24	Mearl Boyer
01/10	Nevin Garrett	01/24	Carolyn Rodenhaber
01/11	Laura Zwolinski	01/25	Gladys Shearer
01/14	Ronald Hare	01/28	Jessica Robison
		01/31	Jazzy Wiltscheck

THANK YOU TO:

- All who helped with donations for the Adopt-A-Family Program.
- Joyce and Fellowship Committee for hiring the caterers and getting the magician for entertainment this year at the Christmas party.
- All who have been helping with Laundry Love.
- All who helped to put up the decorations in the church for Christmas.
- All the Choirs and the wonderful music each week during the year, the Christmas Cantata and the Christmas Eve services.
- All who helped with the Sunday School Christmas Party.
- All who purchased poinsettias for Christmas.
- Thank you to Bob Fulton, Chuck Baumgardner, and Debbie Waskiewicz for serving on Council the last 3 to 6 years.
- Special thank you to the 2018 executive committee: Chuck Baumgardner, Dave Hess, Martha Rutledge, Joan Barnes, Sharon Blouse, and Pastor LaDonna.

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear friends and family,

Thank you for all the gifts, gift cards, cards, and get togethers. It is so nice to work with each of you. You each have touched my life in many ways. May God's peace be with each of you during this Christmas season.

Pam Kemper

PRAYER LIST

FOR THOSE RECEIVING PASTORAL VISITATION AT HOME: Ethel & Philip Meckley, Gladys Shearer, Ruth Myers, Millie Miller, Tony Laughman, Edna Rickrode, Ada Mancha, Kiki Beyer, Joyce & David Plank, Ann Hempfing, Alma Sanders, Mearl Boyer, Bill Saltzgiver, Harold & Millie Geiman, Gloria Sommer, and Chester & Margie Utz.

FOR HEALING & STRENGTH: Dave Barnhart, Kristine Hann, Mara Small, Deb Klinedinst, Melvin & Marjorie Wentz, Arlene Kopp, Hilda Schuchart, Suzie Luks, Angela Kieny, Kaleb Trump, Travis Trump, Mary Lou Davis, Tom Phillips, Sunny Blouse, Harold Kessler, Ryan Laughman, Charlotte Smith, Jacob Snyder, Russ Zumbrum, Thelma Cowger, Ann Marie Landry, Tom & Judy Jacoby, Harold Bachman, Sally Jackson, Brock Beckham, Helen Graham, John & Diane Shannon, Judi Sanders, Brock Beckham, Erika Sell, Angela Mohr, and Thelma Evans.

FOR OUR SEMINARIAN: Kathy Stump

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Luke Small

COMFORT AND STRENGTH: for Carol Davis at the death of her brother, Dennis.