

SAINT DAVID'S

# Visions



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**April 2008**

## *Welcome New Members*

EASTER BRINGS NEW LIFE  
AND  
WE HAVE PLENTY OF THAT  
AS  
WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

*Steve and Kathy Kent  
Norm Leser  
Barbara and Matthew Zajac  
Karen and Sandy Dunn  
Christine Rudolphi and Jason Hurd  
Georgia VanDeVelde  
Richard and Bonnie Hook  
Paul, Chastity, Jacob, Gabriella and Daniel Bussey  
Dorothy Walker*

**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME SUNDAY**  
**April 6th**  
**After the 10:15 Service**



## From the Rector

The Easter question I pose to all of us is the same one posed to us by our Presiding Bishop, Katherine Jefferts Schori in her 2008 Easter message. The question is this: How can we enact the new life we know in Jesus the Christ? Our Presiding Bishop goes on to say, “In other words, how can we be the sacraments, the outward and visible signs, of the grace that we know in the resurrected Christ? How can our living let others live more abundantly?”

Here at St. David’s there are plenty of signs that indicate we are in the midst of this important Easter work. The front page of this edition proclaims the bountiful new life that we are celebrating with our new members.

**Alleluia. Christ is risen.**

Other signs include:

Expanded outreach efforts that include a bicycle tour next month to benefit the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Not only will this venture benefit the main goal of eradicating world poverty, but at least 12 of our members have enthusiastically “pedaled forward” (so to speak) to meet together and help plan and carry out this amazing event. This has created a lot of good, positive energy here and St. David’s will be getting its name out in the community.

**Alleluia. Christ is risen.**

A dedicated group of people helped us make good on our commitment to serve the homeless housed at St. Anthony’s Church in Butler as part of the work of the Interfaith Coalition for Homeless Families. A meal was shared and two of our members supervised the families overnight.

**Alleluia.**

**Christ is risen.**

Our Church School raised \$300 for the MDGs during its recent Outreach Fair.

**Alleluia. Christ is risen.**

A group is working on providing a third worship service here at St. David’s in order to spread the good news of God’s joy and love and attract a group of people who are not well represented here – young adults. See more news inside about this “Joy Reigns” service.

**Alleluia. Christ is risen.**

New life abounds here. Thanks be to God. Our Christian commitment is to keep working with and celebrating a God who keeps offering us opportunities to share the resurrected life with others so that all might live more abundantly.

Abundant blessings this Easter, and may they multiply in the days and years ahead.

*David +*



## ***"Brake the Hunger Cycle Tour"***

**Saturday, May 3**

You're not a rider but want to help? Here's how! -

Day-of-the-event volunteers are needed for registration, set-up, roadside assistance, traffic assistance, ambulance assistance, clean up, for the BBQ afterwards; as rest stop helpers, bakers, riders to help cyclists follow the course, sponsors.

You can sign up and get all the info you need by calling one of the following committee members:

Jim Fisher (973-492-08514)

Mary-Stuart Hawk (973-263-8809)

Mike Odian (973-838-8543)

chair Rodger Pisani (973-838-9494)

Irene Williams (973-838-7346).

Nancy Hammaker (973-492-8975)

Brian O'Connor (973-828-1474)

Laurie Pisani (201-248,3226)

Candace Stanton (973-283-2886)

There will also be sign-up sheets in the narthex giving specific areas.

You're a rider and want to sign up? Here's how!:

Visit our website: [www.hungercycletour.com](http://www.hungercycletour.com)

Contact one of the committee members

Pick up one of the registration forms that will be available at church

*The first 100 riders to register will receive an Official "Brake the Hunger Cycle" T-Shirt*



TO BENEFIT  
**THE UNITED NATIONS MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS**



## Notes from Sr. Shane

Our Quiet Day was just that – quiet! We gathered in the church for “Desert Time” – time spent in reflection on what grows in the wilderness. We thought and prayed about Jesus’ time in the desert and the Israelite’s walk with God in the wilderness. And somehow we all thought of “desert” foods – we feasted on hummus, figs, dates, Lebanese vegetable stew, and apricot bars! It was quiet, and joyous.

Our Food Pantry outreach moves into spring this April with Spring Cleaning Month. The Food Pantry asks for donations for cleaning products – mops, buckets, sponges, and cleaners and soaps of all sorts. Next time you go shopping, please fill a bucket with supplies for your neighbors. Bring your buckets to church, and I will get them to the town. Thank you so much for your continued support of these families!

On April 13 after church I will speak on life at the convent, how I got there, what we do and why we do it, and answer any questions you might have. I hope you’ll join me in the large skylight room. You know you want to know!

Have a blessed Easter season. May we all witness to the power of the risen One in our midst, and rejoice in new life.



**SPRING HAS SPRUNG** and that means outdoor cleanup time! It’s been scheduled for Saturday, April 12. There will be a signup sheet - if you have questions, just call Brian O’Connor at 973-728-1474. He’ll be happy to answer them!

## HIKERS MASS

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG** and that means the first hikers mass of the year! It’s been scheduled for Saturday, April 19 - to a still-mystery location. A potluck supper will follow for the participants and others at the rectory, beginning at 6:00 pm. Watch for the signup sheet.

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG** and that means the yearly Cystic Fibrosis Bowl-a-Thon! Our youth group, tweens, friends and youth leaders will be taking part at T-Bowl in Wayne, on Saturday, April 19. Please sign up as a sponsor!



The free practice sessions of this low-impact exercise and meditation program continue every Wednesday afternoon, 4:00 – 5:00 pm in Classroom 2.

## Average Attendance

March 2007  
76

March 2008  
84\* includes Easter Vigil and Easter Day  
but not 3/30/08

# Praise the Lord!

A **THIRD SERVICE** is coming to St. David's beginning on Sunday, May 4, at 5 pm - Ascension Sunday! The Service will be "Episcopal" in nature with our praise band, "St. David's Power & Light Company", providing the spirited music. The Members of the Praise team are David DeSmith, Christian Frentzko, Jen Frentzko, James Hitchings, Steve Kent, Tom Snyder, Mike Spoer, Rich Tucker, Christian Verdonik, Jayne Verdonik, Tracy Webb. The service will begin on an experimental basis for the first Sundays of the month from May through November. We hope to draw younger people to God through this Service by spreading the message of God's joy and love through contemporary music and prayers. All are welcome! **JOY REIGNS.**



**"PLANT"** this date on your calendar! Saturday, May 10 for the 21st (WOW!) annual spring "garden goodies" sale!

You will find the pick of the crop in flats, hanging baskets, and other items at very reasonable prices. (There will be a 10% discount on all pre-orders.) For your convenience and to ensure that you get exactly what you want there is an order form in this issue. **IF YOU CAN HELP** on that day, please call co-chairs JoAnn Hahn (973-492-0528) or Mary Stuart Hawk (973-263-8809) to "stake" your claim to a variety of tasks! There will be a sign up sheet in the parish hall and forms in the bulletins. **PRE-ORDER DEADLINE IS APRIL 27!**

## **AN ANTIQUE, NEAR-ANTIQUe AND COLLECTIBLES SALE**

is being planned for May 10 in conjunction with the plant sale. New or gently-used furniture and collectibles would also be included. The collectible items should have an estimated value of at least \$20 and the furniture a value of at least \$50. If your treasures meet these qualifications, please call Brian O'Connor at 973-728-1474 - deadline is April 15 - so the committee can make further plans.



## READERS CIRCLE

Judy Walker will be leading the April 7th discussion for Amy Tan's *THE BONE SETTER'S DAUGHTER*. Tan's insight into the complex relationship of Chinese mothers and their American-born daughters is displayed in this multi-layered tale narrated by the daughter as she watches her mother disappear into the confusion of Alzheimer's.

In September of last year, the world lost the prolific author, poet and writer-in-residence of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine, in New York City. Madeleine L'Engle wrote 65 books, in addition to poetry and many essays in her lifetime, and was an active participant in the life of the Cathedral. Many of her books, such as *A WRINKLE IN TIME*, have become children's classics, though she claimed they were not written as children's books. In her honor and memory, we will be reading and discussing one of her novels, *A SEVERED WASP*, as our May 5th selection. Chris Snyder will be the discussion leader for this multi-layered story whose main character is a retired concert pianist who has been invited by the Bishop to perform a recital as a fund-raiser. In the process, she discovers many mysteries surrounding the congregation of the Cathedral.

The Readers Circle meets on the first Monday of each month, 7:30 – 9:00 PM, in the library at St. David's. All are welcome to join in the discussions. If you haven't read the book but are curious to know what we are all about, please join us. Light refreshments are served.



- \* Leaders Nancy Hammaker and Anthony and Joan Molee, students Dominique Molee and Anthony and Kyle Weaver for presenting the ERD program on March 2.
- \* Dina Fanelli, Joan Molee, Caroline Mossip and Joanne Webb for meeting our commitment to the overnight Outreach program at St. Anthony's in Butler.
- \* Terry Armstrong, our sexton, for the countless hours spent on his hands and knees restoring the tile floor in the narthex.
- \* The groups and individuals who helped to make Holy Week and Easter special -  
The Altar guild who prepared the church with such care and devotion  
The Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and acolytes for their extra service  
Susan McAdoo and the choir for gracing our worship with wonderful music, especially trumpeters Andrew Scarpelli and Corey Spies and St. David's members David De Smith, John, Tina and James Hitchings, and John Simonelli.

## *Congratulations!*

**TO ALL OUR "WALKERS"** who made our Lenten Journey a reality! We made it to Jerusalem by Easter Morning!

## VESTRY NOTES

From the meeting of March 13 -

- \* Welcomed guest clerk Susan Montgomery
- \* The Willing Hands annual meeting took place - the vestry is the board of directors. Caroline Mossip is vestry representative to their trustee board.
- \* It was voted to transfer our money market funds at PNC Bank to our Johns & Wilkinson investment account.



March 10 marked our joint Seder with The Jewish Congregation of Kinnelon. Rabbi Helaine Ettinger presided as we learned about the early beginnings of what has become for us the Lord's Supper.





## *Hosanna In The Highest!*



The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith - our bishop -  
preached and worshipped with us on Good Friday

*Sanctifying  
The New Fire -  
Great Vigil of Easter*



*Thanks to the committee - Julie Dolci (chair),  
Emily Mason, Dales Pappas, John Simonelli - and  
everyone who brought sweets and savories to the  
Easter Vigil reception!*





# St. David's Episcopal Church

21st ANNUAL PLANT SALE

May 10, 2008 9AM - 4PM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
10% DISCOUNT FOR PRE-ORDERS BY APRIL 27th

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

		Flats	Packs
		\$13.00	\$2.25
<b>ANNUALS</b>			
Impatiens	Red		
	White		
	Pink		
	Lavender		
	Mix		
Dusty Miller			
	Silver		
Snap Dragons			
	Mixed		
Dahlia			
	Mixed		

		Flats	Packs
		\$13.00	\$2.25
<b>Begonia</b>			
	Brown Leaf with Pink		
	Brown Leaf with Red		
	Brown Leaf with White		
	Green leaf with Pink		
	Green Leaf with Red		
	Green Leaf with White		
<b>Dianthus</b>			
	Pink		
	White		
<b>Salvia</b>			
	Mixed		
	Red		
<b>Vinca Flower</b>			
	Mixed		

		Flats	Packs
		\$13.00	\$2.25
<b>Marigold</b>			
	Yellow		
	Orange		
	Mix		
<b>Petunia</b>			
	Blue		
	Pink		
	Red		
	White		
	Mix		
<b>Ageratum</b>			
	Blue		
<b>Portulaca</b>			
	Mix		

**ANNUALS**  
One Flat contains 24 Plants

**Additional Varieties of Flats and Hanging Baskets will be available the day of the Sale**

		Packs
		\$2.75
<b>VEGETABLES</b>		
	4 plants per Pack	
	Peppers-California Bell	
	Beefsteak Tomatoes	
	Cherry Tomatoes	

		4 1/2" pot
		\$4.00
<b>CUTTING GERANIUMS</b>		
	Red	
	White	
	Pink	
<b>Herbs</b>		
	Basil	
	Lavender	
	Oregano	
	Parsley	
	Rosemary	

		4 1/2" pot
		\$4.00
<b>VINCA VINE</b>		
	4 1/2 inch pot	
<b>DRACAENA SPIKES</b>		
	4 1/2 inch pot	
<b>Trailing Petunias</b>		
	Assorted	
<b>NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS</b>		
	Assorted	

### SPECIALTY HANGING BASKETS

10 "FLOWERING HANGING BASKETS- IMPATIENS  
Assorted  \$13.00

12" Large Geranium Combo Pot including Dracena & Vinca vine  \$25.00

FUSCHIA \$17.00  
Assorted

NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS \$17.00  
Assorted

12" prem patio combo \$25.00  
petunias, verbena, & garden accents

10" HIBISCUS BUSH \$20.00  
Assorted

IVY GERANIUMS \$17.00  
Assorted

TRAILING PETUNIAS \$17.00  
Assorted

COMBOS \$17.00  
verbena, bacopa & petunia assorted

**NOTE:**  
RETURN ORDER FORM TO  
SAINT DAVID'S CHURCH  
By April 27, 2008

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
91 KINNELON ROAD  
Plants may be picked up the day of the sale.

# APRIL 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>6 Easter 3</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Discovery Hour 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Youth Group 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am Glorified Coffee Hour	7 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 7:00 pm Seminarian Teaching Comm. 7:30 pm Book Group Discussion	8 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	9 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 4:00 pm Rector & Warden Meeting	10 10 am HE/Healing 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	11 9:00 am Spring Clean-up	12 7:00 pm New Members Reception at Rectory
<b>13 Easter 4</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Discovery Hour 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Merry Heart 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Youth Group 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am Coffee Hour / Adult Forum: Sister. Shane	14 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	15 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer St. Paul's Shelter	16 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih	17 10 am HE/Healing 11am Staff Meeting 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 7:30 pm Vestry Meeting	18 1:00 pm Hikers Mass 6:00 pm Potluck Supper at Rectory Youth Group Bowl-athon for Cystic Fibrosis	19 1:00 pm Hikers Mass 6:00 pm Potluck Supper at Rectory Youth Group Bowl-athon for Cystic Fibrosis
<b>20 Easter 5</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Discovery Hour 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Youth Group 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Pastoral Care Team	21 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 7:30 pm Men's Group	22 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	23 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 7:30 pm Worship & Music Commission	24 10 am HE/Healing 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 7:30 pm Women's Group	25 10 am HE/Healing 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	26 10 am HE/Healing 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer
<b>27 Easter 6</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Discovery Hour 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am Family Worship 11:30 am Coffee Hour	28 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer Mission & Ministry Night 5:30 pm Christian Formation 7:30 pm Stewardship	29 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer	30 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer 4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 5:00 pm Warden & Rector Meeting	10 am HE/Healing 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer		

# St. David's Leadership Team

*The Mission of St. David's Church is to nurture all who are seeking to make the teachings of Christ meaningful in their lives so that our love and caring for one another through God extends into the community and the world.*

<b>Bishop:</b>	<i>The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith</i>	
<b>Rector:</b>	<i>The Rev. David J. DeSmith</i>	
<b>Senior Warden:</b>	<i>Linda O'Connor</i>	<i>Stewardship, Visioning Committee</i>
<b>Vestry:</b>	<i>Mary-Esther Arther (Treasurer)</i>	<i>Worship &amp; Music, Pastoral Care, Stewardship, Finance &amp; Budget</i>
	<i>Nancy Ward (Clerk)</i>	
	<i>Nancy Hammaker</i>	<i>Christian Formation Chair</i>
	<i>Robert Hengeveld</i>	
	<i>John Hitchings</i>	<i>Finance &amp; Budget, Stewardship</i>
		<i>Technology &amp; Systems, Visioning Committee</i>
	<i>Caroline Mossip</i>	<i>Christian Formation</i>
	<i>Mike Odian</i>	<i>Christian Formation, Finance &amp; Budget</i>
	<i>Marty Stanton</i>	<i>Stewardship, Visioning Committee</i>
<b>Staff:</b>	<i>Parish Administrator</i>	<i>Martha Ridsdale</i>
	<i>Music Director</i>	<i>Dr. Susan McAdoo</i>
	<i>Missioner for Youth &amp; Families Ministries</i>	<i>Jayne Verdonik</i>
	<i>Seminarian</i>	<i>Sister Shane Margaret Phelan</i>
	<i>Sexton</i>	<i>Terry Armstrong</i>
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	<i>Vision's Editor</i>	<i>Mary-Esther Arther</i>

