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**MAY 2018**



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St. David's welcomes ERD  
President Robert W. Radtke  
on May 6. He will preach at  
10:00 AM and hold an Adult Forum after the service.

**Day of Pentecost—May 20**



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***From our Priest-in-Charge. The Rev. Jon M. Richardson***

Dear Friends,

Last month, I talked about a few of the liturgical changes you may have noticed in church, recently. This month, I'd like to talk about another regular change that you may have noticed: our forms for the Prayers of the People are a little different every week!

Our Episcopal Church, and the Anglican tradition that forms us, is based on "common prayer". This is the idea that it is our prayer that unites us - more than any creed or belief or ideology. Even when personalities and perspectives might divide us, the praying, which shapes our believing, is the core of what it means to be an Anglican and an Episcopalian.



There are a lot of different forms of prayer and worship that fall within the bounds of common prayer. Within our own Prayer Book there are six specific forms of Eucharistic prayers that we follow most often, but even beyond that there are two forms that allow for more free expression, and another section for "Communion Under Special Circumstances" that gives only an outline of what should be said. That is to say nothing of the orders of Morning and Evening Prayer, and supplemental and international liturgies available to us.

That being said, one of the areas where we're most encouraged to creatively explore different avenues for prayer is through the Prayers of the People. The guiding rubric (instruction) in the *Book of Common Prayer* about the Prayers of the People simply tells us who and what we should pray for: the Universal Church, its members, and its mission, the Nation and all in authority, the welfare of the world, the concerns of the local community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and the departed. (BCP p. 383) The rubrics specifically call on us to alter the prayers to fit our needs and contexts.

Since Easter Day, our prayers have come from a fairly new (2014) resource from the Episcopal Church called *Praying the Scriptures*. This book was written by a friend of mine, the Rev. Jeremiah D. Williamson, who was raised up for ordination here in the Diocese of Newark. His goal was to give our prayers deeper unity with our lessons and celebrations each Sunday. He wrote petitions and thanksgivings for each Sunday of the three-year liturgical cycle to be in compliance with the rubrics of the church, while also specifically complementing the lessons of the day and the spirit of the season.

In his preface, Jeremiah says, "I believe every prayer is a poem - words strung together between the human heart and the heart of God." I believe this, too. My hope is that we will hear this moment in our weekly worship - the moment when we most intentionally try to unite our hearts with the heart of God - in a new way with renewed energy. Prayer can be an opportunity for us not just to talk to God, but to actually *listen* to God. It's not just one of the boxes we check in executing our worship, but a real opportunity for us to grow. As we take this journey together, let me know how you hear these prayers, and if they help you to hear God more clearly in our worship!

Peace, +

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon M. Richardson".



## *A Brief Introduction to Episcopal Relief and Development*

Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD, for short) is the primary charitable arm of the Episcopal Church. Whenever there is a major disaster - within any of the 17 nations served by the Episcopal Church, or anywhere else in the world - the Episcopal Church is there, offering goods, services, and financial support to bring healing and to return the affected regions to wholeness. Disasters might be acute - like the major flooding resulting from Hurricane Harvey last year in and around Houston, TX, or Superstorm Sandy in our own region in 2012, or they could be more widespread. A major area of ongoing work for ERD is helping to address and prevent malaria infections in Africa.

As surely as disasters around the world are sure to trigger solicitations of donations of support, so, too, will it inevitably trigger questions about whether donations actually reach their intended targets. When donating to ERD, you can be assured that your donations will have the greatest possible desired impact. The organization is consistently rated among the highest among disaster response agencies. CharityWatch.org gives ERD its highest 'A' rating. Charity Navigator gives ERD its highest '4 star' rating, including a score of 100 out of 100 in the area of transparency and accountability.

On May 6th, Robert W. Radtke, the President of Episcopal Relief and Development will be joining us at St. David's to preach at the 10:00 service and to lead an Adult Forum on the work of ERD following that service. The vestry has agreed that all loose offering that day will be designated to support ERD. If you would like to make a donation by check, mark it as being for ERD in the memo line and place it in the offering plate. Know that through ERD, your giving is being used where it is most needed in the most efficient way possible. Thank you for making a special effort to join us that day and for giving generously to the mission of the church.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Radtke", is positioned below the text of the letter.

***REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR PLANTS ON SATURDAY, MAY 12th, 9:00—12 Noon***

*Don't miss*

**THE 2018-2019 TIME and TALENT** portion of our stewardship program will be launched on Sunday, May 20. The updated form and information booklet will be available after both services—be sure to pick up your copy! The Ingathering will be on Sunday, June 3.



# MEMORIAL

ST. DAVID'S is a relatively young church (founded in 1960), but few of the original members survive. One of these, Margaret "Peg" Mendell, died in Florida last December at the age of 100.

Peg and Andre, her husband, lived in Kinnelon for almost 50 years. His funeral was held here in 2010.

Peg was a very active member during her time here especially with the altar guild. She served a term as president and as part of their special group of skilled women who designed and produced the needlepoint kneelers still in use.

The memorial service for Peg will be held here at St. David's on Friday, May 11, at 10:30 a.m.

## ATTENTION

It's time once again to nominate members for the Diocesan 2018 David P. Hegg II Lifetime Achievement Award. Each congregation is invited to choose one to two honorees for their contributions of time and talent to that congregation and the diocese.

The Recipient(s) of the 2018 award will be recognized at the 22nd Annual Evensong sponsored by the Senior Ministries of the Diocese. The date is Sunday, June 10 with a 3:00 pm reception and 4:00 pm Evensong at St Peter's Church, Morristown. Bishop Beckwith will preach.

To be considered as a nominee, the member must meet the following requirements:

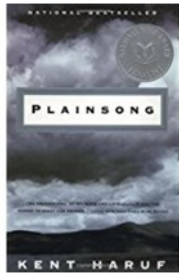
- \* Age 60+.
- \* A long-standing, active member of our congregation.
- \* Made/makes contributions to our congregation and our diocese.

Previous Honorees are: Harry and Polly Barker, Herb Grieshaber, Mary-Esther Arther, Jim and Emily Mason, Ginny and Brian Bussey, Pat Crane, Bob and Nancy Ward, Tom and Chris Snyder, Mary Stuart Hawk, Irene Williams, John Simonelli, Julie Dolci, David and Joan Carpenter and last year's recipients Bruce & Patty Watts.

Nominations may be submitted to Jennifer Trevisan at [Trev0621@gmail.com](mailto:Trev0621@gmail.com) or 862-248-0754. Please submit your nominations no later than Sunday, May 20th.



Those St. David's "saints" who met our commitment to St. Paul's shelter on April 17—cooks Mary Harbinsky, Kathy Kent, Joan Molee, Dale Wilhelm, Irene Williams; driver Kathia Nieves, servers Kathia and Nathan Nieves and John Simonelli.



## **THE READERS CIRCLE BOOK GROUP**

**MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2018**

**SKYLIGHT ROOM, 7:00 PM**

***PLAINSONG*, by Kent Haruf**

**DISCUSSION LEADER – Sondra Odian**

National Book Award Finalist

A heartstrong story of family and romance, tribulation and tenacity, set on the High Plains east of Denver.

In the small town of Holt, Colorado, a high school teacher is confronted with raising his two boys alone after their mother retreats first to the bedroom, then altogether. A teenage girl—her father long since disappeared, her mother unwilling to have her in the house—is pregnant, alone herself, with nowhere to go. And out in the country, two brothers, elderly bachelors, work the family homestead, the only world they've ever known. From these unsettled lives emerges a vision of life, and of the town and landscape that bind them together—their fates somehow overcoming the powerful circumstances of place and station, their confusion, curiosity, dignity and humor intact and resonant. As the milieu widens to embrace fully four generations, Kent Haruf displays an emotional and aesthetic authority to rival the past masters of a classic American tradition. (Barnes & Noble review).

St. David's Readers Circle meets each month at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of the month. Newcomers are welcome to join the Readers Circle at any time. For more information about The Readers Circle please contact Sondra Odian.

### **Best Wishes**

—AND OUR PRAYERS go with Rob and Pam Chisholm, who retired in April and moved to be closer to family.

Pam wrote—"Thanks so much to everyone at St. David's, we hope to find a church as welcoming as this in our new home."

## **Save the Date**

Sunday, June 3—Bishop Beckwith's farewell visit—one service, 10:00 am

Sunday, June 10—Recognition Sunday and welcoming of new members

### **ATTENDANCE**

April 2017    April 2018\*

60            63

\*4 Sundays included in total

## **Vestry Meeting Highlights March 21, 2018**

John Simonelli led the opening prayer and Marty Stanton spoke about his visits with college friends and family members to his uncle at the Trappist monastery in Gethsemane, Kentucky.

Concerns from the congregation included the need for more coffee hour hosts and the need to keep hot foods hot at brunches.

Stewardship reported that we netted \$400 from the Fish & Chips Supper, that we will be investigating Tastefully British in Bloomingdale next year to keep our F & C costs down, that the After School Program has signed an additional lease for an 8-week summer program during July and August, and that the annual plant sale fundraiser will take place on May 12th.

We gave thanks for all the cookie bakers who provided dessert for the Fish & Chips Supper, for our faithful photographers, and for the Parish Administrator for her tireless hard work.

We reviewed and approved the February Treasurer's Reports.

We signed a Vestry Covenant Agreement and agreed to take the online courses required of parish leadership (Safeguarding God's Children and Safeguarding God's People).

We voted to keep the summer worship schedule the same as during the rest of the year (8:00 and 10:00) and to amend the parish calendar accordingly.

We voted to approve the Good Friday offering be given to the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem.

We voted to cover whatever material costs the Eagle Scout candidate's fundraising efforts doesn't raise for the repair and refurbishment of the large skylight room.

We voted to approve purchasing a wireless microphone system.

We voted that any donation of goods involving a change to the physical plant requires Vestry approval.

We voted to purchase 100 new chairs, 2 chair racks, and 4 additional round tables for the parish hall pending a final quote (including shipping) from the Property Committee.

The Property Committee reported that they have found a solution for increasing the visibility of the main driveway, that the pot holes in the driveway have been repaired, that the new dishwasher in the parish hall has been installed, that the missing basement wall in the rectory will be replaced, and that the spring clean-up will be Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

We approved the April calendar as presented.

Respectfully submitted,  
*John Simonelli, Senior Warden*

## Vestry Meeting Highlights April 18, 2018

Kathy Kent led the opening prayer and Pat Hodde spoke about attitudes of gratitude and their influence on her daily life.

Comments from the congregation indicate we've found a 'good match' in Jon Richardson.

Stewardship reported that the Time & Talent Stewardship kick-off will be Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> and in-gathering will be Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>; that we will host a special coffee hour of appetizers and cupcakes for the Bishop's visit on June 3<sup>rd</sup>; that we are hoping to have the one-man show 'Dickens Reading his Christmas Carol' sometime in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter; and that we're considering holding a fellowship "Trivia Night" next spring.

We gave thanks for the altar guild for their outstanding service, particularly during Holy Week and for Troop 277 and especially Eagle Scout candidate Paul Breiterman and his parents for the beautiful job they did refurbishing the large skylight room.

We reviewed and approved the March Treasurer's Reports, as well as the Quickbooks reports for the period.

We discussed the Holy Week services and will consider some changes to the Maundy Thursday service next year, including an alternative to foot washing and better lighting control during the stripping of the altar, which we agreed should occur after the reading of psalm 22.

The deadline for nominations for the David P Hegg lifetime achievement awards is May 20<sup>th</sup> and should be sent to Jennifer Trevisan.

The wardens, vestry members and our priest will complete the "Safeguarding" training required by the Diocese in the next few weeks.

We approved the May 6<sup>th</sup> cash offering go to ERD and the June 3<sup>rd</sup> cash offering go to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

We voted to place the order for 100 new chairs, the racks to hold them, and 4 additional round tables for the parish hall. We also voted to proceed with replacing the missing wall in the rectory basement.

The Property Committee reported that the refurbishment of the large skylight room has been completed, the leak in the basement heating system has been repaired, and sign up for the Spring Clean-up Day has been encouraging.

We amended and approved the May calendar.

Respectfully submitted,

*John Simonelli, Senior Warden*

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“AMEN, I SAY TO YOU,  
WHATEVER YOU DID  
FOR ONE OF THESE  
LEAST BROTHERS OF MINE,  
YOU DID FOR ME.”

† Matthew 25:40



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Greetings,

One small word  
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We just wanted to thank you so very much for the very generous check you sent to our food pantry! It was a help for our Easter distribution and continues to help us as we add some food items to what we provide to our patrons. We are looking into possibly providing

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fresh fruits/vegetables to use if that is a possibility for us, so the donation is a big help.

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Thank you again for your kind and giving gesture!

Sincerely,

Laura Hansich  
Nicole Chetrick

Co-Chairpersons - Food Pantry



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Dear Parishioner's Of St. David's,

Thank you for your very generous donation of \$335.00 from your Easter Outreach to Willing Hands. Your support of our organization will help provide a greater opportunity to build and enhance all aspects of our program that serve the adult disabled population.

We deeply appreciate your belief in our purpose.

Sincerely,



Eve Perini

Director, Willing Hands

A Work Activity Training Center for Developmentally Disabled Adults

Thank you for your Generous Easter Outreach Donation!

4-20-2018

Members of David's

Gene, Charlene, GYRIE, Abby, Jay Kennedy

KRISTIN

SHEILA, Mike

MATT, SHARON

Maria, MATT, Tracey

John, ALYSSA, DIANNE

Jorge, LINOR, LETHA, ER

Your thoughtfulness and generosity meant so very much... You truly added a wonderful touch!

WITH MUCH APPRECIATION

The Willing Hands Group

# HALLELUJAH!



*Each little flower that opens—The Lord God Made Them All*



# CLEAN-UP DAY APRIL 21

## GOOD JOB!

Guy Baskinger  
Tony DeVincenzo  
Julie Dolci  
Steve and Jeanne Grieshaber  
Mary Harbinsky  
Michael Kidney  
Jeanette Meyer  
Lee Moody  
Jon Richardson  
Mike and Deb Roehrer  
Bill and Catherine Speed  
Marty Stanton  
Bob Ward  
Irene Williams



## MAY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1 Deadline for Plant Sale orders</b> 10:00 am Outreach Committee 7 pm AA meeting	<b>2</b> 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday night group	<b>3</b> 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b> <i>Office closed</i> Priest's Day off	<b>5</b>
<b>6) Easter 6</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing 9:15am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing 11:15 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Adult Forum led by ERD President	<b>7</b> 7:00 pm Readers Circle Book Group	<b>8</b> 7 pm AA meeting	<b>9</b> 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 7:00 pm Vestry 8:00 pm AA Wednesday night group	<b>10</b> 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>11</b> <i>Office closed</i> 10:30 am Margaret (Peg) Mendell Funeral	<b>12</b> 9 am-Noon Collection of Plant Sale orders
<b>13) Easter 7 Mother's Day</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist* 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist* 10:15 am Coffee Hour 1:30 am Joyful Noise *Includes Birthday & Anniversary Prayers	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 7 pm AA meeting	<b>16</b> 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday night group	<b>17</b> 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>18</b> <i>Office closed</i> Priest's Day off	<b>19</b>
<b>20) DAY OF PENTECOST White Team</b> <b>Launch of Time and Talent Program</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:15 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Joyful Noise 11:30 am Dream Group	<b>21</b> <b>7:00 pm Stewardship Commission</b>	<b>22</b> 7 pm AA meeting	<b>23</b> 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday night group	<b>24</b> 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>25</b> <i>Office closed</i> Priest's Day off	<b>26</b>
<b>27) Trinity Sunday</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Choir Warm up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist 11:00 am Merry Heart, Boonton 11:15 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Joyful Noise	<b>28</b> MEMORIAL DAY Office closed	<b>29</b> 7 pm AA meeting	<b>30</b> 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday night group	<b>31</b>		

# St. David's Leadership Team

Empowering all our members to build bridges of hope with the living Christ through worship, spiritual formation, hospitality and outreach.

Bishop: *The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith*  
Priest-in-Charge *The Rev. Jon M. Richardson*

Senior Warden: *John Simonelli*  
Junior Warden: *Jennifer Trevisan*

Vestry: *Mary-Esther Arther (Treasurer, non-voting)*  
*Mary Harbinsky (Clerk, non-voting)*  
*Pat Hodde*  
*Kathy Kent*  
*Lee Moody*  
*Mike Roehrer*  
*Dale Pappas-Wilhelm*  
*Marty Stanton*  
*Irene Williams*

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