## Visions

Building Bridges of Hope with the Living Christ



### **JANUARY 2019**



When the star in the sky is gone, When the Kings and Princes are home, When the shepherds are back with their flocks, The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost
To heal the broken
To feed the hungry
To release the prisoner
To teach the nations
To bring Christ to all
To make music in the heart.
— Howard Thurman

May we be given the grace to bring the hope of Christmas alive in the year ahead.

Thanks to everyone for your unending generosity in support of weekly donations to the community food pantry at the Church of the Nazarene.

Thanks to everyone for your special generosity in supporting the voucher program for the five church food pantries and North Porch.

## **Celebrating 59 Years of Caring & Sharing**

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### From our Priest, The Rev. Jon M. Richardson

Dear Friends,

This is our first issue of *Visions* in the new year, and our first issue since celebrating our first Christmas together! We held production of the newsletter a little bit this month so that we'd be able to include pictures of our Christmas celebrations.



Thank you all for all that you did to make our celebrations so wonderful. Throughout the latter days of Advent and the Christmas season, our focus is a bit more intentional about looking for Christ in our midst. As Christians, that's always our focus, but Christmas is a time to reset ourselves toward that goal.

I certainly saw Christ in the faces of the people who came to St. David's during these past several weeks. But as we move beyond the Christmas celebration, we're called to use this renewed focus to turn our attention back out. Christ is alive in the world – not just within our walls.

In my first year here at St. David's, I've spent a lot of time in the office – working through liturgy planning, organizing administrative issues, having meetings – all those parts of learning your way around and leading a church that happen inside. But as I begin to transition into my second year here, one of the changes you may begin to notice is that I'll begin holding "office hours" outside the office. The idea is that the church shouldn't be insular. We exist in the world, and we're called to interact with (and find Christ within) the people beyond our walls.

In Kinnelon, the natural place to begin interacting with our wider community is the library. That seems to be one of our most organic gathering places. But our parish is not just in this town. In the weeks ahead, I'll be asking you to consider where the gathering places are in other parts of our geographical parish. Where are the natural gathering places in West Milford, Butler, Bloomingdale, and all the other towns around here that we serve? It could be other libraries, or coffee shops, or bars, or something else entirely.

I'll still be in the office. You'll still be able to reach me by phone and email, but I'll also be extending my work beyond these walls. Hopefully you'll start seeing me in your neighborhood soon!

Peace,



### NOTICE

# ANNUAL PARISH MEETING To All Members of St. David's Episcopal Church Kinnelon, New Jersey

In accordance with Article III of the Bylaws of St. David's Episcopal Church, Kinnelon, New Jersey, **the Annual Meeting of the membership is hereby called by the Wardens and Vestry** for the election of 1 warden for a one-year term to comply with bylaw requirements that both wardens cannot be replaced at the same time, 1 warden for a full two-year term, and 5 vestry members (1 to fill a vacancy for a term ending in 2019, 2 to fill vacancies for terms ending in 2020, and 2 to full three-year terms ending in 2021),and such other business contained in the approved agenda for vote and/or discussion.

Note that Article III describes a qualified voter as: "All persons of sixteen years of age or above belonging to the Parish who have been baptized and who have received Holy Communion at least three times during the preceding year and are regular attendants at its worship and contributors of record in its support for at least six months prior to such annual or special meeting shall be qualified voters thereat, and the presiding officer shall be the judge of their qualifications. Twenty percent of the membership present in person shall constitute a quorum."

The Annual Meeting will be held

At St. David's Church during Holy Eucharist on Sunday, January 13, 2019

Snow Date: January 20

(one service at 10:00 AM) Coffee Hour will follow the service

On behalf of the Wardens and Vestry, Mary Harbinsky, Clerk

## Wine and Food Pairing Event FEATURING SUPER FOOD & WINE MATCHES

## SATURDAY, January 26th, 2019, 5:00 PM At St. David's Episcopal Church -91 Kinnelon Road, Kinnelon NJ

Join us for a gourmet evening of great wine and great food, featuring five quality courses each perfectly paired to a delicious but affordable wine. From the welcome glass through dessert you will be guided through each pairing by our own wine enthusiast, **Steve Kent**, who has tasted wines and visited wineries in dozens of countries over the last 30 years.

Experience the magic when the right wine matched with the right food enhances the enjoyment of both. Learn how a pairing is done, how to select a great bottle of wine every time, and the art of tasting wine – with food!

And the food just gets better at every event as we focus on delightful flavor combinations and inventive recipes from our Foodie Chef, **Kathy Kent.** 

Great wines and restaurant quality food at a fabulous price! Can you imagine this low price at a good restaurant for a great five course meal with a sampling of 6 great wines?

This time you won't just dine or taste – you'll learn to pair!

ALL ARE WELCOME but reservations are a must! Deadline to purchase or reserve tickets is Thursday, January 24th. They are on sale after both services, or Monday-Thursday, 9-2, in the office. (973-838-6696) or online via Paypal on the website. The dinner and wine tasting donation is \$60 per person (check or cash), \$63 online; dinner for non-wine tasters is \$40 per person. (\$42 online). No wine will be sold at this event.

### UNITED THANK OFFERING

**THE UNITED THANK OFFERING INGATHERING** will take place at both services on **January 27.** Bring the boxes you've been filling during 2018, use one of the special envelopes available in the narthex, and take the box home with you to use for another year. You don't have a box? Help yourself! (Boxes are in the tract rack throughout the year.) Thank you for your generosity!

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

THE 2019 FLOWER CALENDAR is posted at the foot of the balcony stairs. How often during the year do we remember the death of a loved one, commemorate the birth of a new baby, celebrate a special event? The weekly flower altar arrangements can be given as memorials or thank-offerings—the cost is \$40. The forms to be used are hanging with the calendar—when completed, they should be put in the Parish Administrator's mailbox or the Sunday collection plate.



Reminder—more than one person can sign up for a particular Sunday.

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- \* THE GENEROUS MEMBERS who contributed to the North Porch and Prison Ministry outreach projects and special thanks to Pat Hodde, Lee Moody and Dale Wilhelm for being delivery "Santas".
  - THE SAINTS who met our commitment to St. Paul's Shelter on December 18—<u>cooks:</u> Mary Harbinsky, Jeanette Meyer, Sondra Odian, Doris Snyder, Dale Wilhelm and <u>drivers/servers:</u> Brenda Reinhard, John Simonelli and Doris Snyder.
- EVERYONE who contributed toward the decorations that make St. David's especially beautiful at Christmas; the Altar Guild and helpers for their dedicated work; the service participants; the choir, Sal Mallimo and Nancy Moody (Christmas Day); the readers and John Simonelli for leading the Service of Lessons and Carols—all of whose service and devotion added to the meaning of the season.
- A SPECIAL THANK YOU from the editor to Nancy Moody, Caroline Mossip and Marty Stanton for the splendid photos gracing this issue.



### **Vestry Meeting Highlights December 19, 2018**

John Simonelli led the opening prayer and Lee Moody spoke about his meaningful experience with a "community of strangers" in Austria in 1971 and the idea that folks who claim to be spiritual but not religious miss out on the whole idea of community.

We discussed matters brought to us by parishioners – the 'missing' entrance sign and the unlit street sign; some hymns that we've been singing that our not in the standard Episcopal hymnal; and the possibility of having some sort of walkway between the church and the rectory.

Stewardship reported that due to the popularity of the program we have re-booked A Christmas Carol for Saturday, December 7, 2019.

Outreach reported that the dollar amount spent on outreach in 2018 pretty much equals what we had spent in 2017, but with far better results; about the very successful ingathering for prison ministry and Seaman's Church Institute; and about the recent St Paul's meal that had some new parishioners involved.

We gave thanks for all donors to the outreach ingathering; for Michael and Jon for their hospitality at their open house; for all Christmas service ministers; for Sal and the carolers; for this year's Vestry, especially those who are rotating off; for Pat and Bertha for their generous donation of an outdoor crèche and holiday arrangements; and for Guy and Gill for all they do to keep the place running.

We reviewed the November Quickbooks reports and voted to accept them.

The Property Committee noted that all the sanctuary lights have been fitted with LED bulbs and that the electrician will be returning shortly to address the outdoor sign problem and the church dimmer switches.

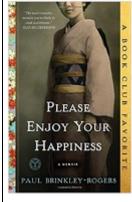
We amended and approved the January calendar.

We recognized and thanked the outgoing Vestry members – Irene Williams, Dale Wilhelm, Lee Moody, and Jennifer Trevisan – for their years of faithful service – and we also thanked Mike Roehrer for agreeing to remain on the Vestry for one more year,

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden

### THE READERS CIRCLE BOOK GROUP



## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019 - SKYLIGHT ROOM 7:00 PM PLEASE ENJOY YOUR HAPPINESS, Paul Brinkley-Rogers DISCUSSION LEADER: MIKE ODIAN

Pulitzer Prize—winning war correspondent Paul Brinkley-Rogers has lived an adventurous life all over the world. But there is one story he cannot forget: that of his haunting love affair with a mysterious Japanese woman in 1959.

Paul was a sailor aboard the USS *Shangri-La* that long-ago summer when he met Kaji Yukiko in the seaport of Yokosuka. A fierce intellectual, Yukiko shared her astonishing knowledge of literature, film, and poetry with Paul and encouraged, even demanded, that he use his gifts to become the writer he is today.

But theirs was not a quiet love story. When a member of the yakuza, Japan's brutal crime syndicate, attempted to kidnap Yukiko, Paul realized that there was much more to her—and to Japan in the devastating wake of World War II—than he saw at first glance. Through the searing letters that Yukiko wrote to him and Paul's vivid telling of a history made all the more powerful and poignant by the weight of time, *Please Enjoy Your Happiness* reaches across decades and continents, inviting us all to revisit those loves of our lives that never truly end. (Barnes & Noble)

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.

#### DOUBLE CONGRATULATIONS

To great-grandfather Herb Grieshaber; grandparents Steve and Jeanne Grieshaber! Sienna Rae was born on December 14 (8 lbs, 4 oz) to Daniel and Christine Grieshaber, joining big sister Charlotte Marie. Alexander David was born on January 3 (7 lbs, 14 oz) to Sarah (Grieshaber) and David Mottley, joining big sister Madelyn June.

### PARISH REGISTER

Funeral and Interment in Memorial Garden

ELIZABETH WALES WILLIAMS, December 23, 2018

ATTENDANCE
December 2017 December 2018
38 49





December 7, 2018

Saint David's Episcopal Church 91 Kinnelon Road Kinnelon, NJ 07405

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your check for \$200.00 dated November 15, 2018 and for your recent in-kind donations. We are so grateful for your generosity in support of this valuable ministry. For the past 30 years, gifts such as yours have enabled us to assist hundreds of needy families each year.

Your donations help to make it all possible. As a small, not-for-profit organization, we rely heavily on both financial and in-kind donations from individuals, organizations and parishes. Thanks to the generosity of so many, we are able to serve increasing numbers of children each year. We look forward to working with you in the future to continue our work with those in need.

Paithfully,

Lindsay J. McHugh

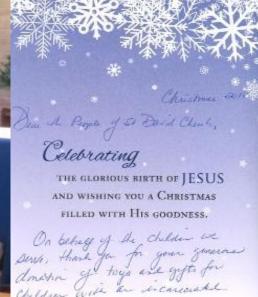
Secretary.

Board of Trustees

North Porch Women and Infants' Centers

This letter serves as your receipt for tax purposes. We certify that no goods or services were received in exchange for your donation.









Christmas at Sea

Dear Betty, Mary, and Michael,
Thank you for the & scarves, 3 cowls,
3 hats, 3 pairs of sock, and helmut!!
Lovely items! We appreciate Sharing your
talents with our program! Many seafaces
how expressed how touched they are for
all the CAS volunteers thinking of them!
Blessings, Michaelle - cas operations

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YOUR THOUGHTFUL GENEROSITY

HAS MADE IT A LITTLE EASIER

FOR US TO HELP THOSE

WHO ARE LESS FORTUNATE

IN OUR COMMUNITY.

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Merry Christmas and best works for a Bhood 2019! Sincerely, Laura Hanish Nicoli Chetanik

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(Bloomingdale Methodist Church)

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Kate Banks
Tony DeVincenzo
Rich Dobson
Kent & Mary Harbinsky
Pat Hodde
Steve Kent
Jay & Joan Ludwig
Sal, Katherine &
August Mallimo
Lee & Nancy Moody
Caroline Mossip

Brenda Reinhard Wesley Sullivant Ellen Temple Jennifer Trevisan Bob & Nancy Ward



### **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE at the Rectory—December 16**



## SPECIAL THANKS TO JON AND MICHAEL!





### **CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY 2018**





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Office Closed for New Year's Holiday 7 pm AA Meeting	2 1 pm Meditation 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	3 9:30 am Healing Prayers Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b> Office closed Priest's day off	w
6 Epiphany Green Team 8:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Baptism/ Healing* 11:15 am Coffee Hour 11:30 am Joyful Noise	7 7:15 pm Stewardship Commission	8 7 pm AA Meeting	9 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	10 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	11 Office closed Priest's day off	12
13 Epiphany 1 Gold Team  No 8 am service 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist* inc. Annual Parish meeting 11:15 am Coffee Hour *With Birthday & Anniversary Prayers	14 OFFICE CLOSED Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday	<b>15</b> 7 pm AA Meeting	16 1 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 7:00 pm Vestry 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	17 9:30 am Healing Eucharist 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>18</b> Office closed Priest's day off	19
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### 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. Carlye J. Hughes 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)

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