



ST.  DAVID'S
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ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2017

The Rector's Annual Report
St. David's Church, Roswell
The Rev. Kenneth Swanson

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To launch 2017, the Vestry sent a survey designed by David Bacon to the whole parish in order for us to discover, simply, how we're doing. There were many positives.

Rich Sanders, "St. David's Emergency Response Policy": Parish Health and Wellness
Survey: 90% positives: 95% clergy, 86% liturgy and 80% music, 88% have their spiritual needs met; concerns, lack young adult participation, sound in church, grouching about social/political conversations

As you know, Katie McRee, our dearly loved Youth Minister, has resigned after nearly 14 years of serving our teens. We will be honoring her today with a parish lunch following the 11:15 service. Several of those she's worked with, now young adults, are coming to her event today so they can speak about just what she has meant to them.

This has of course led us to think about the future. Michelle put together a blue ribbon search committee to help me find the best possible person to succeed Katie. Over the past few weeks we interviewed several candidates, and we'll announce who our new Youth Minister is in a few days. Near the end of one of our interviews, the candidate asked the members of the search committee to express what St. David's meant to them.

I love to hear people talk about St. David's, so I was more than eager to hear. And I was astonished at how consistent the responses were. "Warm and welcoming." "A caring community." "This is home." "A place where you know you're accepted and cared for." "If you're ever in pain, or afraid, or grieving, St. David's will put its arms around you." And that's the genius of this place. What's most important about St. David's is not about programming or ministry. It's not about our staff or lay leadership. It's not about education, or fellowship, or liturgy. It's about creating a sense of community and caring.

But with said, certain questions about our staffing and ministry have emerged over the past year I'd like to address. When it comes to clergy, best practice in any Christian denomination is that there should be one full-time priest for every 500 parishioners. Well, at St. David's we have over 2000 members. Do the math. That means we should have at least four full time clergy.

St. David's has only two full time clergy, me as Rector and Michelle Ortiz as Associate Rector for Family Ministry. We have two half time clergy, Anne Elizabeth Swiedler as Associate Rector for Liturgy and Pastoral Care, and Antonio Brito as Assistant to the Rector for Hispanic Ministry.

We have succeeded in greatly reducing our parish debt over Jeffords Hall, but it's still nearly \$3,500,000. That debt not only means our staff is underpaid, it's smaller than we'd like. Well, some have said, if you look at our masthead, we have eight clergy listed. Our four Priest Associates, Katie Elberfeld, Barry Kubler, Rich Sanders and John Bolton each have a letter of agreement that specifies certain responsibilities. Katie leads Chapel Mass, and works provides clerical leadership for our Covenant Groups and Common Purpose. Barry, Rich and John celebrate on Sunday at least once a month, preach once a quarter, teach classes on both Sunday morning and Wednesday evening, and each takes responsibility for particular ministries in the parish.

It comes out to about 30 hours a month of ministry. For this, they each receive a stipend of \$6000.00 a year. Together, their ministry is the equivalent of having a full time priest, but at about one third the cost. And on top of that, St. David's is blessed by having the richness of eight different clerical voices. I have always thought the strongest ministries are collegial, and with our full roster of clergy, we now have that.

Some people in the parish have raised questions about whether St. David's is moving in a new direction of focusing on social issues. The answer is yes and no. All of us are affected, at least emotionally, by the social matters that are now dividing Americans. While we may disagree on the best political response to certain issues, there is no question that God calls all of us to be concerned and engaged. As it says, in the Book of Common Prayer, the mission of the

Church (p. 855) is “to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.” One of the five marks of mission, as established by our General Convention in 2012, is “to seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation.” And as all of us publicly affirm at every baptism, we will “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.” (BCP, p. 305) We believe our ability to fulfill this imperative begins with learning all sides of critical issues and talking with one another in order to maintain our unity while being open for action.

We are engaging in this work in several ways. There is absolutely nothing new about our support of ministries like Homestretch, Drake House, Habitat for Humanity and North Fulton Community Charities. Nor is there anything new about Unidad or the St. Francis Guild or Six Mercies all of which minister to some of marginalized and needy neighbors. What is new in response to an expressed need by many of our parishioners is create a safe place for parishioners to learn and talk with one another about divisive social issues.

The Common Purpose ministry holds meetings every other month during which parishioners share a meal and explore current topics, learning together and from one another. There is no political agenda. Everyone, regardless of position, is welcome to come and talk about these issues in an environment of learning and respect. And this is, of course, fully voluntary. Our goal is to allow every opinion in the parish to be expressed, again while respecting “the dignity” of all participants.

Additionally, I will be appointing and training a few parishioners to be what we will call “ombudsmen” to pursue peace and reconciliation by meeting individually with parishioners who are concerned about this work and have questions about it. (WHY?) St. David’s seeks to provide a model for how to live in relationship with people of diversity rather than division.

Finally, in the fall of 2018, we will be presenting a series of classes, facilitated by me, about various social issues that affect us as Christians. Each series will have three sessions: two sessions will be devoted to hearing fully both sides of each issue, and the third session will focus on a biblical and theological approach to it. We hope many of you will participate as we move forward. Our goal is to have every position fairly heard and understood. And as I’ve indicated above, participation will be fully voluntary.

Parishes are living organisms. So as we look into the future, we can be sure that there will be growth and change. We know we will have a new Youth Ministry, and there may be other staff changes that we don’t know of now. New ideas for ministry will be presented and acted on. But one thing about St. David’s won’t change. This will continue to be place of love, care and nurture. You can count on the fact, “If you’re ever in pain, or afraid, or grieving, St. David’s will put its arms around you.”

Name of Ministry: **Family Ministry**

Head of this Ministry: The Rev. Michelle Ortiz

How long have you headed this Ministry? 2.5 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? The purpose of Family Ministry is threefold:

- to provide parents and families with opportunities to grow spiritually
- offer learning and support regarding the challenges of parenting, marriage, separation, and divorce
- provide opportunities for families to create and deepen meaningful relationships with others in the church

What was this year’s total budget for this ministry? \$1,750

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$2,750

How many people serve in this ministry? Around 10 volunteers help throughout the year for various events and programs. How many St. David’s parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? It’s hard to count how many people are impacted or served through Family Ministry but on average each month about 200 parishioners are served. On Christmas Eve alone, we impact many families and visitors at our 2 liturgies designed for children and youth.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? About 750 hours of my 40+ hour a work week go into Family Ministry a year.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? Like anything else, the more energy you put into youth activities the more benefits you will experience. Coming to Sunday School on a regular basis (45 minutes per week) would certainly be a first step in becoming integrated into the youth program, followed by regular attendance at youth group (about 4 hours per month)

Did you have a major or significant program this year?

Family Ministry hosted our second Family Camp retreat at Kanuga this August. We held several intergenerational "Messy Church" worship services throughout the year and ongoing Wednesday night Family Forum program. I continue to partner with Youth and Children's ministry leaders for programs like the Fall Youth retreat, 1st Communion, and WOW.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? I would like to add more worship opportunities for children and youth by incorporating elements of the "Messy Church" liturgy at 9:00 am on Sunday morning or creating something new. I continue to seek new ways to involve busy families in the life and community of St. David's.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Continue the support in budget and blessing new ideas and creative programs for families.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Please pray for us to find a way to better include families who are on the fringes at St. David's and don't know how or where to find community. Pray too for our new youth leader (who is yet to be determined) and the transition our families will be in with Katie leaving.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

Meron Kelly has offered to assist me a couple hours each week with various projects to support this important work!

Rev. Anne Elizabeth Swiedler, Associate Rector, Half Time

The teams with which I serve are outstanding, faithful, and inspiring to watch as God leads them into ministries of great love. Thank you to each and every one of you.

We have celebrated Baptisms, Weddings, Burials, over 50 Confirmations and over 200 offerings of the Eucharist in hospitals, homes, nursing homes and the Brookdale - Chambrel Retirement Community. I give thanks for Diane Speyrer and Steve Granade for their coordination of the Eucharistic Visitors; and special thanks to Dick and Kathy Lord for their faithfulness to the Brookdale folks, as well as to many others.

The parish's pastoral care is thriving through the efforts of lay ministers. Barbara Mulcahy continues to lead the monthly St. David's Caregiver's Support Group with her gentle touch. Maureen Hallowell leads the Prayer Shawl Ministry with new ideas and creative energy. Strong leadership continues with the Flower Ambassador Guild led by Carole and Angus Perkeron; The Caring Committee is now lead by Amy Eliza Springer who facilitates request using the Meal Train All. Nell Fernandez oversees the visitations by The Doves. My gratitude also to Betsy Brown, Toni Cathcart, and Carolyn Pruett for their behind the scenes attention to the kindnesses they offer to those who are bereaved or in other difficulty.

The worship team includes Sue Wallace and the Adult Choir; Susie Clements and the Children's Choir; The Basement Band also led by Susie, and the Handbell Choir led by Eileen Nahser. Our flower Guild shines through the leadership of Holly Kalbach and Doris Jones. the Youth Lectors, with Lisa Puckett, taking over from Lisa Puckett. Thomas Nolf, who with the Ushers have helped us without fail. Our Altar Guild sustains us every Sunday and so many other times, including the annual All Saints Eucharist in the Memorial Garden. Blessings on the gentle leadership of Stacey Milam and Judi Gullatt.

And, in a special category by themselves: deep gratitude to Bruce Thomas and the team of the Vergers – our indispensable anchors for liturgy week after week. Every Sunday, we also serve with an outstanding team of Lectors, Intercessors and Lay Eucharistic Members. I remain blessed by Kathy Holman and the Healing Prayer Ministry Teams who add deeply meaningful presence and prayer every Sunday morning. Healing Masses are now offered 4 times a year in the Chapel Mass slot and lay homilists have made themselves vulnerable with their testimonies about the healing power of

God. The Contemplative Prayer group is now on sabbatical; thanks so much to Doris Thorn for her leadership these past years. The Wednesday Women's Bible class continues with guest teachers; this fall we've been instructed well by Lee Hunter, Robert Danes, Judi Gullatt and the group's chaplain, Helen Leach.

The Women's Retreat Committee, led by Lia Bertelson and Diane Cummings organized an outstanding weekend in October at St. Mary's Retreat Center in Sewanee, Tennessee for 90 women. Darlene Swanson again was our speaker and touched us deeply through her teaching about the Book of Psalms. The Order of the Daughters of the King is now responsible for our parish Quiet Days; With Marilyn Dougherty and Maureen Hallowell in the lead roles of coordination, we've offered two outstanding Quiet Days.

I want to express gratitude to the staff for their hard work and abiding kindness. I enjoy being at the altar with Ken, Michelle Ortiz, Katie Elberfeld, Barry Kubler, Rich Sanders, Tom Ader and John Bolton. I learn from your gifts. This also has been a trying year for me personally due to the death of Ed. All of you have given me strength and peace in the midst of the storms.

I remain deeply grateful for Ken's leadership: it is a joy in every respect to work with you. St. David's expresses a love for God and others in extraordinary ways. I am honored to be a part of this most faithful community.

Anne Elizabeth+

Name of Ministry: **Acolytes**

Lead of this Ministry: Mike Tompros

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 10+ years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Have the Youth of St. David's serve as Acolytes during services.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$ 1600

How many people serve in this ministry? 71

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Everyone who attended Church services

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year?

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 3-5 per week average

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

We continue to serve regularly and happily.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Continue their great support of the Acolytes and continue encouraging them as they serve.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like for us to pray?

Please pray for the continued energy that the Acolytes and their parents have for our ministry.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

This is the best Ministry in our Church to be a part of. The young people are great and getting to know them is a treat.

The parents are wonderful and supportive. The Clergy, Vergers, and Church leadership are always encouraging and helpful to the Acolytes. THANK YOU ALL !

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$ 1600

Name of Ministry: **Altar Guild**

Lead of this Ministry: **Judi Gullatt and Stacey Milam**

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How long have you headed this Ministry? **2 years**

What is the purpose of this Ministry? **The Altar Guild provides reverent care of sacred vessels used for worships, linens, brass, candles, torches and seasonal hangings. Guild members prepare the Sanctuary and Chancel for all services, namely all worship services, baptisms, weddings, funerals, and other occasional services.**

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? **\$1,900.00**

How many people serve in this ministry? **Approximately 30**

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? **The Altar Guild serves approximately 800 people per week, including parishioners and visitors.**

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? **The Altar Guild is a ministry that serves typically only within the church; however, on occasion we do serve non-members for weddings and funerals held at St. David's.**

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? **We estimate that, together, we spend 20-25 hours per month as chairs of Altar Guild. This fluctuates based on the liturgical calendar and with special events.**

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. **For the last couple of years, we have wanted to increase the Hispanic participation in Altar Guild. In 2017 we were able to accomplish this. A training was held in June and we were able to add Hispanic members to three of the four Altar Guild teams.**

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? **We, as chairs of Altar Guild, know how much the service of the Altar Guild members is appreciated. We are blessed to hear it regularly from clergy and church leadership. When that gratitude comes in the form of written notes that apply to all members, we share it with the group and it, in turn, is greatly appreciated by them. Perhaps a way to support the Altar Guild members, and other ministry participants for that matter, could be in the form of a written communication periodically that is specific to the ministry that could be shared with members.**

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? **Please pray for growth of the Guild and that the chairmen can find ways to attract new members.**

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? **We have challenges in gaining new members overall, with the exception this year of Hispanic members. We had three people interested from the Ministry Fair but none panned out. We think that people are afraid of it, of messing up or that they'll have to wash linens and polish silver. We hope, in 2018, to find ways to change this perception and grow.**

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? **\$3,200.00 This is a significant increase over the 2017 budget as wine is no longer being donated by a parishioner and so is now being purchased with funds from the Altar Guild budget.**

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

It is our goal to hold one or two "Come see what the Altar Guild is all about" sessions in 2018. These would not be training sessions; they would be a way to invite people who might be interested but are nervous about what all participation entails to hear about what we do.

Name of Ministry Women's Bible Study- Third Tuesday Evenings

Head of this Ministry (name) – Marilyn Dunsmore, Carolyn Powers

Contact phone # 770-442-8849 (Marilyn) or 770-442-0309 (Carolyn)

Email address cm-roswell@comcast.net ; cwpowers@hotmail.com

How long have you headed this Ministry? Since 2011

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Nurture women's spiritual growth and build community.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? Avg. 12

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? About 15

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Not measurable

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 30+ hours

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 3

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it.

For our 2016-2017 study/discussion year we chose Eric Metaxas' *Seven Women and the Secret of their Greatness*. Each month our dozen-or-so members had interesting, lively discussions relating the lives and faith of these women to our own lives and work. A highlight for us each year has been our intentionally simple Advent Supper on the 3rd Tuesday in December. This deeply meaningful and quiet sharing night has brought us closer together as we focus on preparation and waiting -- the season of Advent -- while the world about us pushes busily toward Christmas. That evening this month (2017) will mark our final get-together as this small-group ministry. We have decided to disband. Changing demands, health matters, schedules, evening jobs, driving challenges, and conflicts with other ministry schedules have diminished

our ability to meet with consistent group commitment. Many individuals over the years joined our group as a first step in living parish life on a personal scale. Growing into that family, they've now become involved in many ministries requiring their gift of time, and find they can't 'do it all'. What a wonderful 'problem' to have!

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? Our members will make individual decisions about expanding their personal ministries.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? For the benefit of ALL, parish leadership may want to give extra focus to providing all small group ministries with more detailed scheduling info to set their calendars. Up to 1/3 of a ministry's Tuesday meeting opportunities can be knocked out by vestry shifts. The small group may not realize conflict is waiting out there; vestry's calendar appears more fixed than it actually is.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? We only ask your prayers of praise and thanks -- for the gift of time together, for learning, sharing, caring, for prayers sent up and answered. Our group has much for which to be thankful.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? We especially thank St. David's parishioners who on very short notice assisted a parish member who was moving out-of-state. Her need for help was urgent and great. The ancient story of the Good Samaritan gained much modern-day meaning that week -- a learning opportunity for which we remain truly grateful.

Name of Ministry: **Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study, meets Saturday mornings in Grace Parish Hall, 8:30-9:30**

Lead of this Ministry: Chris Burpo is the lead Facilitator

Contact phone #: 770-569-0112

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 10 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? **The primary purpose is to increase the biblical literacy of the participants while building a community. It is open to all men of the parish and there are no pre-requisites. All men are welcome and encouraged to come when they can. Each class is a standalone event. Some of our regulars "audit" the course and don't do any outside work; they just come and hear the readings and participate in the discussion. Others enjoy reading ahead studying in more depth.**

In between the longer courses we examine the Lectionary readings for the week in preparation for the Sunday worship.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? 0

How many people serve in this ministry? **We have more than 35 on our "active" list with average attendance between 12 and 20 on any given Saturday depending on the season and the program.**

However, all men of the parish are welcome at any time and visitors and drop-ins are always welcome.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? **From 12 to 20 men for 48 weeks of the year.**

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? **Sometimes our members will bring friends or neighbors as visitors.**

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 500 or so

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

We try to study a couple of the books of the Bible each year. In 2017 we studied the book of Hebrews from beginning to end over a 6 month span. Recently we concluded a 13 week study of the Three Kings, where we read about the beginnings of the monarchy in Israel and the first 3 kings anointed by God to rule Israel: Saul, David and Solomon.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? **Help us with promoting the group and inviting all men of the parish to participate when they can.**

Name of Ministry: **Tuesday Men's Bible Study**

Head of this Ministry (name) Ron Felder

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 5 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Share an understanding God's word and the redemptive love of Jesus Christ through the study of the Bible and related books.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? We have 7 men that attend this Bible Study with about 4-5 that come on a regular basis

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? See above

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? We have not focused this ministry on outreach.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? I averaged 30-45 minutes a week, sometimes adding an extra hour when we were determining options for our next set of readings

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 30 minutes – 1 hour a week to do the reading and one hour that we spend each week at Bible study.

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it? We spent a few months studying the book, **Dismantling Injustice** by April Love-Fordham and we spent another few months studying **The Making of a Man of God: Lessons from the Life of David** by Alan Redpath.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? We are hoping to have others join us in study and good discussion with breakfast.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Continue to help us make others aware of our Bible study so that others can share in what we do.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? That we continue to gain understanding of God's purpose for us through the study of His word.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? Not at this time.

Name of Ministry: **Thursday Morning Ladies' Bible Study**

Lead of this Ministry: Kim Freeman

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 10 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Please join this loving and caring group of women as we enjoy a weekly, in-depth Bible Study. We have just completed a study of the New Testament book of **Hebrews** (September through December). Beginning January 4, 2018, we'll begin a new course entitled **"Dear Christian"**—a study of five short epistles: **1 & 2 Thessalonians, Titus, and 1 & 2 Timothy**. A small amount of homework is involved, but it is not mandatory. We meet in Grace Parish Hall from 10:00 to 11:30 every Thursday. Besides covering our lesson, we also pray for each other at the end of class. Every six weeks, we hold a Brunch after class just to enjoy fellowship together. Newcomers are welcome to join at any time.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$500

How many people serve in this ministry? Many faithful women volunteer in various ministry positions: greeters, set-up helpers, coffee makers, brunch hostesses, assistants, etc.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 81 women

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 8 non-St. David's women attend.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? Many joyful hours!

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. (see above)

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Pray that God will help the women of our class really hunger to study God's Word in this in-depth manner!

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? I would just like to offer a word of encouragement to any woman who might be hesitant about attending a Bible Study. Whether you are new to Bible Study, a long-time student of Scripture, or somewhere in-between, you'll deepen your understanding of God's Word and enjoy wonderful friendship too! Our group is a safe and comfortable place for a beginner to start learning about the Bible as well as a deeply enriching experience for the spiritually mature Christian. **We simply have a FUN time together!** Come and give us a try! We always have room for a new face!

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$550

Name of Ministry: **Blood Drive**

Lead of this Ministry: Beatrice Fayemi

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 8 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Blood is the most precious gift that anyone can give to another person; the gift of life. Donated blood can be separated into components - red cells, platelets and plasma - which can be used individually for patients with specific conditions.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? Varies from 12-24

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? I don't know since this information is kept confidential.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? The donated blood will save many lives based on the number of parishioners who made a donation. One person's donation will benefit 3 people.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 12 hours

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. This year, a record number of parishioners participated in the drive, including teenagers, 24 people showed up at the last drive, but 3 people were turned down for various reasons. The donation made by those 21 people would save 63 lives.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Encourage continuous support of parishioners.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Pray that the donors will continue to be blessed with good health, and that their time and donation will be a blessing to many. Pray for the recipients of the donations too, that the donation they receive will be a blessing to them, and they too will be a blessing to others.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? A big thank you to Father Swanson's efforts in encouraging parishioner's participation.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$0

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]. A drive is scheduled for December 17th, April 22nd and November 18th of next year.

The goal is to have at least 20 parishioners participate at each drive.

Name of Ministry: **Brotherhood of St. Andrew**

Head of this Ministry: Patrick Cathcart

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 11 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

To follow the three disciplines of: Daily Prayer, Study and Service (to bring Men and youth to Christ).

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$N/A We are self-supportive.

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$N/A

How many people serve in this ministry? 10-15

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year?

We submitted over \$300.00 to sponsor families in need for scholarship funds for the Kanuga retreat.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year?

We support the Smile Foundation with donations to provide surgery.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year?

Approximately four hours/Month

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry?

We meet on the second and fourth Monday's each month for about one and a half hours per session.

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

We are currently doing a New Testament Bible Study utilizing the Disciple Fast Track Study Manual.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year?

Increase membership; support the Men's retreat in 2017.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Tell everyone that St. David's has a ministry for men and it's not to be confused with the Men's Club.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Continued growth and empowerment to spread Christ's kingdom to men and youth to our community.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

We're committed to the growth of our chapter here at St. David's and hopefully we will reach out to more men in the church and share our values as Christian men. We are still at around 10 to 15 committed members that support us each session as outside commitments allow.

Children's Ministry and More

Annual Report for 2017

Name of Ministry: St. David's Children's Ministry

Head of this Ministry: Judy Hine; GG Daly-Administrative Assistant

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How long have you headed Children's Ministry? 8 years; since 9-1-09

Ongoing Professional Development **Judy** will complete 50 hours of training as a Stephen Minister January 2018; completed 24 hours as a volunteer for Hope for Grieving Children.

What is the purpose of Children's Ministry?

To fulfill the mission of the church: To unite all people to Christ and to one another especially in ministry to the children and families of the parish, and to our neighboring community.

Through the following practices:

- To welcome all in Christian hospitality.
- To grow in faith through the experience of shared weekly worship including both traditional worship and Messy Church, shared prayer and spiritual reflection.
- To grow in knowledge and joy through regular participation in a dynamic Sunday school and midweek Christian Education program grounded in Biblical teaching, shared devotion, prayer, and the building of friendships.
- To minister to one another, and to strengthen our bonds in Christian friendship and concern for others through activities that promote fun, empathy, fellowship, and outreach partnership.

What was 2017 budget for this ministry? \$9035 **What is proposed 2018 budget for this ministry?** \$9035

How many people serve in this ministry?

Weekly:

- 30 adults teach 9 Sunday school classes to 125 children total weekly ages 2 years-5th grade.

Monthly and Seasonally:

- **Vacation Bible School (VBS) 100 volunteers (70+ Youth, and 30+ adults) in this ministry of fellowship, learning, and outreach.**
- **First Communion class** 8-12 adult and Youth leaders support this biannually class in spiritual formation.
- **EpiscoPALS** 12 adult and Youth leaders support a bimonthly ministry of play, fellowship, and service for 4th-5th graders.
- **Trunk or Treat, 200** volunteers support this parish wide outreach partnership with families of Mimosa Elementary.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 250 children-Sunday school, Wednesday night program, First Communion classes, and more.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Approximately 1400 people (VBS; Trunk or Treat; NFCC Turkey Drive)

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 40+hours/week supported by 4 hours/wk. admin assistance.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? Volunteers average 1.5 hours weekly/6 hours/month.

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it? Yes! 15 programs!

- **Weekly Sunday school** serves children 2 years-5th grade in 9 classes with an average of 120 children attending weekly supported in leadership by a dynamic, creative, and faithful team of 30+ Sunday school teachers ministering to the children, and working collaboratively with one another,
- **Children's Ministry Table** is a weekly resource for young children in support of their participation in worship, and is faithfully and creatively maintained by dedicated by lay leadership.
- **Wednesday Night weekly program** for children 3 years-age 10 is a time for play, shared prayer and devotion, wondering about God, cool crafts, and other fun stuff!
- **EpiscoPALS twice a month** is a ministry of fun and fellowship for 4th and 5th graders (bring a friend!) Supported in leadership by a team of parents and Sunday school teacher. PALS meets twice a month for fun and games and to share a simple devotional time. Activities include bowling, roller skating, play and picnics at local parks, and more. PALS is a great way to grow in faith and friendship, and is a bridge in faith and friendship to Middle School Youth Group!
- **First Communion** Class twice a year is a class of spiritual formation and instruction in Holy Baptism and the Holy Eucharist for children age 6-10. Supported by a dynamic team of lay leaders and clergy this interactive class encourages participation and connection through a host of hands on activities as the children are invited to wonder and explore what it means to belong to Christ and to our church family through these primary sacraments of the church. The class for children 6-10 years of age taught in 3 one hour sessions is offered twice a year with an average enrollment of 12 per class.
- **Bimonthly WOW, Women of Wonder** Judy serves as co facilitator along with lay leader Sara Greene, and Mother Michelle Ortiz for WOW , Women of Wonder, St. David's group for mothers for their the spiritual formation, learning, support, and fellowship. WOW is a group for spiritual formation viewed through the sacred journey of parenting.
- **Sacred story telling for Messy Church** Judy working in collaboration with Michelle Ortiz, Susie Clements, and the children and families of the parish to illuminate the stories of Advent, Epiphany, and more.
- **April- Easter Egg Hunt an annual gathering for children, Youth, and families** for children Toddler-3rd grade with 4th-Youth helping stuff and hide over 1500 eggs. A fun filled morning for fellowship on this feast day of the church.
- **April-St. David's Families Serving Together on Palm Sunday** is a ministry partnership between Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, and more than a dozen families to offer in reach to homebound St. David's parishioners.
- **May- Celebration Sunday** an annual gathering for children, Youth, and families in thanksgiving for our Sunday school year ages 2 years-12th grade and in recognition of the service of our Sunday school teachers.
- **June-Camp Mikell**-St. David's in partnership with Camp Mikell, provides an average of 26 scholarships each summer to the children and Youth of the parish for a week at our diocesan camp.

- **July-Vacation Bible School July** is an annual joy-filled, energized summer week of evangelism and fellowship with 150+ children attending and supported by 100 awesome adult and Youth volunteers planning and working collaboratively with Judy and dynamic team of lay leaders.
- **August-Family Camp-** Children's Ministry collaborates with Family Ministry leadership.
- **October-St. David's 10th Annual Trunk or Treat**
- **November-St. David's Turkey Drive in partnership with NFCC**

In what way would you to expand your ministry next year?

- **Use the training and experience** I've gained through participation in the support group Hope for Grieving as well as certification as a Stephen Minister to enrich my pastoral care of the children of the parish, and to support St. David's existing Grief Ministry by creating a program to minister to children and families experiencing grief.
- **Continue** to develop connections in relationship and partnership with Mimosa Elementary through support of Path to Shine, Diocesan Ministry of tutoring and mentoring; and Back Packs of Love serving vulnerable families in the Mimosa community.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Join us to teach, play, or serve for a special activity!

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Please pray in thanksgiving for all the children and families of the parish and for their health and well being. I am thankful for the joy of this work and for the chance to learn from the children, our Sunday school teachers and families, and to grow in faith and leadership with others in a shared life in Christ.

Name of Ministry: Children's Music and Basement Band/FolkMassters

Head of this Ministry (name): Susie Clements

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 12 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To integrate sacred music participation and education and provide worship leadership experience to the children of the parish throughout their experiences in the life of St. David's. This position has also expanded to provide musical support and leadership as requested by the clerics and congregation. This has grown beyond the realm of children's music to include the contemporary music group that is a combination of Basement Band and FolkMassters.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$5,035

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$7,085

How many people serve in this ministry? Direct educational experience, approximately 30 children in preschool, 25 children in Cherub Choir, 35 children in Treble Makers choirs for a total of over 100 children each week; Basement Band has approximately 30 members.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? The choirs and ensembles serve the entire congregation, primarily at the 9:00 a.m. service, when providing music for and supporting the liturgies on Sunday morning. I also select and lead the music for VBS for 155+ children, parishioners and non-parishioners, each year. As staff, I am present and assist with Trunk or Treat, Sunday School plays, EpiscoPALS, many Youth events and provide music leadership for the Family Camp, Youth Retreat and Messy Church.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Those who visited for VBS or Trunk or Treat as well as anyone who visits our various services.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 40+. This includes not just children's music, but also Basement Band/FolkMassters, Sunday School, VBS, Youth Retreat, Family Camp, RSCM Summer Courses.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 40

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

- *Children's Choirs:* This is an ongoing and cumulative education process. The youngest children, beginning with the 4-year-olds in the Cherub Choir or in St. David's preschool, are learning from the start how to sing correctly, how to keep a beat and how to appreciate quality music. The older choirs continue this education and also experience worship leadership through participation in Sunday morning services, Lessons and Carols, and Evensong services. These choirs also represent successful integration with our Hispanic community in that several of these children participate in the choirs.

The children earn award medals and ribbons in the RSCM Voice for Life program. Medals are awarded based on musical theory knowledge, singing expertise and liturgical knowledge. Several choristers attend the summer RSCM choir training courses where they get indepth training and experience with a traditional, formal Evensong service with participant from around the county and directors from around the world.

The choral quality of the Junior Choir is developed into a first rate children's choir. We are able to perform quite complex traditional selections for Evensong and contribute greatly to the overall beauty of the music. Part of the expertise is due to the choristers earning the RSCM medals. In order to encourage this participation, there are additional coaching sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays for extra help in earning medals. The children are coming in on their own time to participate in this program and are enthusiastic about earning the rewards.

- Other children's musical activities include the annual Spring Musical. The music at VBS and various retreats reaches over 200 children with fun, theme based songs and activities. This coming year, 2018, the musical will be *David and the Giants*.
- *Basement Band:* This combined contemporary group has members from 6th grade through Grandparents. This is not a "professional" group, but is a teaching band where those who want to participate can join in, at their current skill level. For example, one young viola player had a limited playing range. So, I wrote a small accompaniment part for him on 2 or 3 hymns that he could learn and join in. We are very blessed to have experienced players as well, but all are welcome. Music must be selected with care and deliberation so that it is relevant, liturgically correct, interesting, and playable by the group and singable by the congregation. We have a core group of experienced musicians who are able to play a wide variety of music to provide entertainment at social functions.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? I would like to have more parental involvement in planning social activities for choirs and possibly help to lead Cherub Choir. It would also help to have a "choir parent" to assist with cleaning choir robes, setting up folders, general administration activities.

If there is interest, I can also offer an infant/toddler music class. This requires a parent to be in the class with the child, similar to the Kindermusik program. It would need a convenient time/location that would encourage parents to participate and would also require additional volunteer help.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? The leadership is very supportive and understands the contribution a solid children and youth music program has to creating a healthy parish.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Please pray for continued financial health for our parish. Pray that our music touches each of our members, at some point, with God's Holy Spirit. Pray that our music is praying twice and that we continue to create our music to God's glory.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? It is truly a gift to "work" where it doesn't feel like work. I believe that music is truly a gift from God that imparts feelings and emotions as well as telling a story. The benefits for children, their families, and anyone who participates through music are numerous. It give us a chance to *serve* our church and minister to others. Children are given the opportunity to learn leadership and sense of responsibility through their service, as well as basic music education. When children learn a Bible story through a song, they remember it for a lifetime. Those who participate in musical groups learn to part of a team, practicing the qualities of promptness, self-control, cooperation, and commitment. And finally, unchurched families can be drawn to the church through involvement in the music in worship services.

Name of Ministry: Common Purpose

Lead of this Ministry: Tom Erdmanczyk, facilitator of planning committee

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 1 year

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

With God's help, we will work towards building a Beloved Community here at St. David's. Specifically, we will commit to *seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves; and to strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.* Through conversation, education, and advocacy, modeled at parish wide events presented by Common Purpose, we can strive to find reconciliation as we, together, live out our baptismal covenant.

At Saint David's we are a congregation divided when considering opinions on current issues. The tendency is to fail to engage with others, or to engage harshly when in discussion with each other, which allows chasms to develop. Common Purpose can help by developing a model for Christian conversation which can bring us together in community just as we come together as God's children at the communion rail.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? Ten parishioners serve on the planning committee.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? In this, our first year, Common Purpose presented five events with total attendance of approximately 200 parishioners.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Common Purpose is an in-reach ministry serving Saint David's parishioners.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 60

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

In this past year Common Purpose has developed from a good idea to a functioning ministry thanks to the efforts of the planning committee and the support of the parish leadership.

We held five Common Purpose events for parishioners this year:

March: General introductory meeting

May: Continued work in establishing the framework, the guidelines for conversation, and the priority topics for future discussions

July: Immigration: we heard from three parishioners about their personal experiences with immigrating to the USA

September: Immigration: We were joined by an immigration attorney for a fact-based question and answer session about the realities of our immigration process

November: Immigration: We participated in a choose-your-own-adventure exercise about immigration led by a guest facilitator

Each event included a pot-luck dinner, an agape meal, presentation of information, and discussion.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

This ministry has been well supported by the clergy and several vestry members have attended Common Purpose events. We request that the leadership of the parish pray for the development and vitality of the Common Purpose ministry.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Please pray that Common Purpose will invite and encourage people to come and use the lens of faith and our baptismal covenants to explore current issues and how we can best seek and serve Christ in others, both within our parish and without, and to strive for peace and justice.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

We invite all of our brothers and sisters in Christ to join us in this work. Please look for announcements about our meetings in the Sunday bulletins and in e-blasts.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$300 for honoraria

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

We plan to hold six events throughout this next year and to explore topics including gun violence and racism.

Name of Ministry: Daughters of the King

Lead of this Ministry: Deborah Felder

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 3 months

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

Prayer, service, and evangelism as a means to spread Christ's kingdom. We also particularly serve the clergy of our parish.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$400

How many people serve in this ministry? 74

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? As many as we touch through prayer, our funeral receptions and Quiet Days, and the Women's Tea

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? However many guests attended funerals

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 15-20 since September

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

We inducted 9 new Daughters, which is a fair size class of new members. We love that we have so many sisters working together now.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Perhaps we could craft a way to help the parish understand what we do.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Please pray for us to find an outreach opportunity that we as a chapter can really give our hearts to.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$400

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

For the women of the chapter, we offer an Epiphany luncheon in January and monthly meetings with guest speakers through May. For the parish, we sponsor the Lenten and Advent Quiet days and the Women's Tea. The Tea is usually in May. The Quiet Days are at the beginning of the season as appropriate.

Name of Ministry: The Drake House

Head of this Ministry: Patrick Cathcart

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 2 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

The Drake House provides a short-term crisis and an affordable housing program for homeless single mothers and their children in North Metro Atlanta. Our educational, empowerment, and mentoring programs assist families in becoming financially self-sufficient and contributing members of the community.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$3,600.00

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$3,600.00

How many people serve in this ministry? Currently 3 One Team Leader and two support mentors.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? N/A

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year?

We supported and helped in moving two families into self-supporting apartments and transitioned from the short term apartments (4-6 months) to the new *Village* long term apartments (up to 1-2 years) and are currently mentoring a single mother and her child.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year?

152 hours (includes time spent with families and apartment repair/painting and current help with new village rebuild)

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry?

Visits to family range from 4 to 6 hours per month.

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

We are currently mentoring a mother as budget advisors and our role is to assist Drake Village residents with systems to track all income and expenses, in order to develop a plan that prioritizes necessary spending and savings over discretionary spending. Learn about spending patterns, money attitudes, and financial goals while working together to develop a plan for future spending.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year?

Continued support from the St. David's volunteers who help me in supporting this ministry.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Inform our Parish about the wonderful success we've had in transitioning these homeless families back into society. Let our St. David's community know how they can help with The Drake House to further support our efforts. (See next page). **We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?** Pray for our current family and the continued community support to the success of The Drake House. **Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?**

Volunteer Opportunities:

The Drake Center is looking for weekday volunteers to assist with donation management, data entry, food pantry, tutoring, facility up keep, special events and limited openings for mentors. Mentors encourage and support a mother or child as they move through the empowerment program. We have a special need for male mentors. Mentor training is required and is provided by Christy Merritt, Director of Programs.

The Drake Closet seeks friendly volunteers who would like to come in on a regular basis for one or two shifts weekly. Each shift is 2-3 hours in length and both stores are open Tuesdays through Fridays from 10-5 and on Saturdays from 10-4. Volunteers will assist on the sales floor, provide customer service, hang/straighten/organize store merchandise and help with special events as needed. Once a volunteer application has been submitted and a background check completed, volunteers can choose their shifts each week based on their availability. For more information, please email us at thedrakecloset@thedrakehouse.org.

Group Volunteering

Corporate, religious, civic, and service groups play an important role in helping us to maintain our facilities and complete special projects.

One-time volunteer group members do not have to attend orientation or complete background checks. Groups with minors are required to have guardians sign The Minor Waiver form.

Group leaders need to contact Cheri Huntington, Volunteer and Resource Coordinator to select a date and project or call 770-587-4712 ext.305

The best size group for our facility is between 8-12 people. Larger groups can be accommodated by special request and when a special project arises.

Typical group projects include cleaning and sanitizing the rooms of The Drake Center or apartment, painting, landscaping, sorting donations and restocking the food pantry.

Donations to cover the cost of project supplies are greatly appreciated.

Volunteers Ages 12 and Younger

For safety and issues of confidentiality we ask that they help in the following ways:

- For their birthday party ask guest to bring an item for The Drake House- food, cleaning supplies, etc.
- Hold a lemonade stand, dog wash, pet sit, make friendship bracelets or sell hair bows and donate the money to The Drake House.
- Gather friends and attend The Drake Walk in the spring or Miss Mary's Ice Cream Cranking in August.
- Hold a supply drive and have fun making the posters and fliers.

Flower Guild Annual Report

Chair: Holly Kalbach/hollykalbach@bellsouth.net 404-372-2781

Chair: Doris Jones/dorisjones20@hotmail.com 770-667-3847

Doris & I have headed this Ministry since December 1, 2015.

Our Ministry provides floral arrangements in the Nave, Welcome Center & elsewhere to enhance Sunday worship, weddings, funerals, feast days and holidays.

Budget for 2017: \$9,760.00

Budget for 2018: \$9,760.00

Flower Guild members: 10 - scheduled members & 8 - Wildflowers (seasonal)

Our Ministry helps, comforts & serves ALL parishioners & visitors.
Our Ministry helps, comforts & serves EVERYONE outside St. David's.
Ministry Chair hours in 2017: 65 hours

Our accomplishments this year were adding 3 talented regular members and 2 wildflower members. We also purchased some new Christmas lights, ribbon, berries, angels & decorations for our upcoming 2017 Christmas.

To support our ministry, we appreciate your prayer, encouragement and support for parishioner donations to meet our budget.

Please pray for our Ministry to continue to grow and meet our budget & goals. We always welcome and train new members!

We appreciate the loyal support from our clergy, leadership and parishioners & look forward to it continuing in 2018. For 2018, our Ministry would like to update some of the silk flower arrangements.

Name of Ministry: **Funeral Guild - St. Joseph of Arimathaea**

Lead of this Ministry: Mike Copps

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 16 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Assist Clergy with any and all funerals at St. David's

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? 0

How many people serve in this ministry? 30

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? N/A

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? N/A

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? N/A

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. We were able to successfully work with the Clergy to handle all Funerals. We are constantly working with our volunteers to improve their skills and learn different roles.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Nothing at this time.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? That our volunteers will have open and loving hearts to administer to the grieving families.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? Thanks go to the DOK for handling receptions. A special thanks to Jan Georges who helps with suppling and setting up the 'sequestering room' for grieving family members.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? I have asked for \$200-300 to help with expenses to set up 'sequestering room'. Also, to buy Guest Register Books.

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]. No specific plans. I'm talking with Jim Landers about taking my position as Funeral Guild Director in the future.

Name of Ministry: **Habitat for Humanity**

Lead of this Ministry: Orlon Daniels & Beatrice Fayemi

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How long have you headed this Ministry? Five Years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To introduce parishioners to Habitat and the joy of giving time & talent through the local Habitat Affiliate – "working with God and people from all walks of life to build simple, decent homes for those in need.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$5,040

How many people serve in this ministry? 4

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year We were allotted a total of 30 volunteer spots on six Saturdays. Four individuals volunteered on multiple Saturdays. By serving others, our parishioners were being served

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Our volunteers worked on the home of the Saunders family of three. The home will be completed in time for Christmas.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? Approximately 65 hours between both heads. The hours are reflective of scheduling, attending meetings and actual volunteering at the build site. Increased hours are due to the small number of volunteers.

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. ? The 2017 Summer Ecumenical Build began on August 26, 2017 with our last volunteer date December 2, 2017. The home being build was Habitat of North Georgia's 300th home. This year Habitat implemented a Ground breaking ceremony for the 300th home. As one of the proud sponsors of this build, St. David's helped the Saunders family to have a decent place to live.

We had two parishioners who volunteered for the first time with this ministry and did so on multiple Saturdays. With God's help we were able to provide the necessary water, lunch and breakfast for the volunteers with assistance from Thrivent Financial.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Continue to support this ministry and help with initiatives to increase participating. Also identify parishioners who can benefit from this program and encourage them to apply for a Habitat home.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Please pray for families who struggle to find affordable housing in an often difficult world and in very difficult circumstances. Please pray also that more parishioners will continue to give of their time and talent to help these families while experiencing the joy of doing God's work.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

As a Sponsor, we are expected to provide water on each of our scheduled Saturdays, one lunch and one breakfast to 60 – 80 volunteers. This year we were blessed with \$250 assistance from Thrivent Financial to help with lunch. The assistance came at the time when we needed it. The remainder for lunch and funding for breakfast was prayerfully paid for out of pocket. We all felt blessed to be able to give back to this young family whose mother is such a hard working individual. We look forward to learning more about Thrivent Financial's programs and how we may be able to benefit from them in the future.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$5,300

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

Work with Michele to purchase St. David's /Habitat t-shirts for 2018 volunteers – details by March 2018

Sponsor of Habitat 2018 Ecumenical Build - Should have information on next build between July-August 2018

Discuss with with Ken & Habitat Faith Relations & Community Investment Manager initiatives to increase parishioner participation - July – August 2018

Distribute schedule and encourage individuals to volunteer - Should have 2018 Schedule in August/September 2018

Name of Ministry: Hispanic Congregation (Ministry for Hispanic Liturgy)

Head of this Ministry: Margie and Bill Sleeper

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 14 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ with a focus on the local Hispanic community. To reach out to the Hispanic communities around St. David's to build a community of faith and extend an invitation to live out St. David's vision of outreach and evangelism.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$2550

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$2275

How many people serve in this ministry? 25

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 150 - 200

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Fr. Antonio helped several.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 20 per week each

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 5

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

Fr. Antonio Brito is completing his 6th year as the priest for this congregation. His sermons and personality continue to draw in new families from the surrounding communities. Our Sunday attendance has averaged 75-95 people with higher numbers for services that are particularly important within the culture or the congregation's history (Anniversary service – almost 175). We have increased the understanding of stewardship within the congregation and more families are participating in this offering of time, talent and treasure. We've had about 6 baptisms and 6 members were presented for

Confirmation or Reception; we also had 2 weddings. It is a joy and a blessing to be able to offer special services such as Quinceañeras, the presentation of a newborn and the presentation of a three-year-old that are culturally significant to this congregation. We had congregants attend the Men's Retreat, become members who are Daughters of the King and expanded to four teams those who participate in the altar guild so we are now covering all of our services. Julio Alvarez continues to serve on the vestry. We regularly have 4-6 acolytes participating in every service. Following the example in the English services, we continue to use bulletins that contain the complete service, making it easier for participants, especially newcomers, to follow the service. We have three musicians who play regularly for the Sunday services and others from outside the congregation have joined for special events. We continue to encourage participation in St. David's activities (St. David's youth choir, Camp Mikell, VBS, parish picnics, Trunk or Treat volunteers), but work shifts, transportation and scheduling remain obstacles to greater inclusion. Also offered in addition to weekly worship: Sunday Bible Study, sacramental classes, premarital counseling and counseling to local families in crises. Our families continue to come together in more social events - having planning meetings to organize more frequent potlucks (convivios). An extension of this is our upcoming Posadas for the 8 days prior to Christmas which provide another opportunity to bring our community together in fellowship, reflection and prayer and often welcome visitors. All parishioners are invited to participate in this culturally important event.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year?

- Continue to grow the congregation in membership and support
- Continue to participate more actively in St. David's activities as a total church community, perhaps with some bilingual service sometime during the year.
- Expand leadership opportunities within the congregation
- Enhance the visibility of St. David's within our surrounding Hispanic communities.
- More visitors to our events from the greater St. David's community.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Continue the understanding of the importance of providing a means to build a strong faith community in the Episcopal Church where people can worship in their language and in the context of their cultural traditions.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

- A strong sense of community and caring for one another
- Pray for families in crises due to the current immigration issues they face

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

With deep gratitude and appreciation, "Thank You!" for the ongoing support from:
Sam Shepard and Julio Alvarez – weekly guitar music
Kay Anderson – LEM and Verger on our altar rotation schedule
Altar Guild – support and training for our teams
Dick Lord for his sound system help for our special services
Linda Thomas, the Vestry and St. David's clergy for their support

Name of Ministry HOMESTRETCH

Head of this Ministry Patty Conard

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 11 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? HS provides interim housing and life skills coaching to the working homeless families in the north Fulton area. Clients reduce housing related debt and learn the skills to become self-reliant in the future.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$6200 (The HS operation has about \$1M budget)

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? Requested \$7200, issued \$6200

How many people serve in this ministry? 7 active, more when there are events to assist with.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 0

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 70 (adults & children in program)

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 100+, I chair the golf committee, assist with other fundraisers, and attend monthly meetings.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 5

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

No new significant programs. We are always doing continual improvement on existing programs.

We held our annual Tea, Golf Tournament, and Road Race.

The program is ongoing. It is a gold standard footprint for getting working homeless families back on their feet. Client families rotate through the program every 12 months. We are also working on introducing a neighborhood watch program within Millbrook circle.

Dozens of parishioners donated furniture to HS that filled several units.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? “ I’d like to recruit more mentors and budget advisors to work with the client families. This requires a weekly/monthly commitment of time and talent.” -

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? I think the leadership at St. David’s is doing a great job. When something is needed, I don’t hesitate to ask.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Pray that each family that graduates and uses the life skills training to help them become successful.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? n/a

Name of Ministry: **Honduras Building Ministry**

Lead of this Ministry: Bill Sleeper – Adult Team

John McKinnon – Youth Team

Pamm Ferrand – Youth Team

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John: 678-585-1656

Pamm: 770-753-0404

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John: john@mckinnonengineering.com

Pamm: pamydosy@aol.com

How long have you headed this Ministry?

Bill: 1 year at present, several years in the past

John: 4 years

Pamm: 10+ years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

Assist the LAMB Institute in providing care for impoverished children and adults in Honduras.

What was this year’s total budget for this ministry?

\$2700.00

How many people serve in this ministry?

Varies by year: Youth team: 10 -12 youth and adults, Adult team: 4-10 adults

How many St. David’s parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year?

Varies by year: 15-20, Ministry work enriched the team members and other support volunteers.

How many people outside St. David’s did this ministry serve/help this year?

Children’s Home at San Buena Ventura: 75-90 children and adults

Flor de Campo School: 250+ students, 10-15 teachers and administrative staff

Alonzo Movement: 200+ youth

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year?

Bill: 50+ hours

John: 50+ hours

Pamm: 50+ hours

Provide a brief summary of this ministry’s accomplishments for this year.

Adult team assisted with building a cottage for new missionaries

Youth team assisted with various construction work and support for children

Golf Tournament raised over \$9000 for LAMB Institute

Contributed to LAMB directly via Party With a Purpose in October

Pasta With a Purpose fundraiser to support Youth Team in October

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Help recruit new team members, help advertise the team events

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Pray for the continued safety of the LAMB staff and children in Honduras

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

Working to enlarge teams and support for LAMB

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry?

\$3000

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

Adult Team trip in February

Youth Team trip in June

Golf Tournament in May

Name of Ministry

Integration

Head of this Ministry (name)

Jan Georges

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How long have you headed this Ministry?

7years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

Our most important purpose of Invitation is to invite others to meet the Risen Lord, what an invitation indeed!! We also are thrilled when a visitor decides to take a spiritual journey with us at St. David's. We are very blessed to have a thriving flock with 30 new families that have joined us year to date (92 people!!). It is a blessing to enlarge our Church family and bring this many people in deeper relationship with our Lord.

Once a new member/members have joined St. David's it is important to get them connected to a ministry. It is a good way to meet members of your Church family and also find joy in a variety of ministries. We have 2 faithful lay coordinators that follow up with Ministry leads and parishioners to help them connect to a ministry. Many thanks to Suzy Pittman and Mary Veal.

We are supported by the Welcome Committee. This Ministry is one of the most important Ministries at St. David's because it is the first interface with our Visitors. A visitor gets an impression about a Church in their first 5 minutes on campus. It is wonderful to be greeted with genuine sincerity to let the Visitor know we are blessed that they have chosen us to visit! Many thanks to Shelby Crain and Caroline Greenwald for leading this Ministry!

I am very thankful for those parishioners who participated in our Parish Partner program. New members are assigned a Parish Partner to be a point of contact and to assist in any way possible.

The Pew Angels continue to do a great job keeping the pew racks stocked with Welcome cards and other information as well as general cleaning. Many thanks to Ralph and Katy King for leading this ministry.

Two Connections Café classes were taught this year and were well attended. This class is for visitors and new members. This is a three week class that consists of a tour of the Church, Church and liturgical overview, Pastoral and caring opportunities, stewardship and communication.

Our most important interface with a Visitor is YOU!! If you don't know someone please ask "I don't believe we have met, I am _____" and welcome them to St. David's. We do a great job with introductions and for this I am blessed!!

What happens when we receive the name of a Visitor to St. David's? (The names can come from a Welcome Card, a referral from Children's Ministries or Nursery, or a check received from the family as well as referrals from members of the Parish.) **It is so important that we know as a Parish what is being done to integrate visitors into our Church family!**

Week 1 the visitor's information is added to our database. A welcome letter is sent from the Rector with a "New to St. David's" brochure along with tickets for breakfast and dinner on Wednesday evening. Visitor receives a call from the Rector.

- **Week 2** a letter is sent from Integration with brochures that are family/individual specific.

- **Week 3** call is made to the Visitor from Integration.
- **Week 4** a letter is mailed regarding serving in Ministry with the “Ministries” brochure and a list of Ministry leads.
- **Week 5** the most recent Illumination is mailed to visitor with a letter.
- **Week 6** a letter regarding Stewardship is sent as well as a “Giving” brochure.
- Week 7** a postcard is mailed asking what the visitor’s status is at this time (continue to visit, consider St. David’s as your Church home, etc). Also included is a letter from Integration and the “Member, Baptism and Confirmation” brochure and a new member’s form.
- Week 9** if postcard has not been received, the visitor receives a phone call from Integration.
- Week 10** a call from the Rector is made if the visitor has not become a member.

After the 10 week period if a visitor has not made a decision they are contacted again within 6 months. In the eight to nine month period they are sent a survey to determine why they have not joined.

What was this year’s total budget for this ministry?

New Member Integration - \$1650 annually

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year?

New Member Integration - \$1650 annually

How many people serve in this ministry? Hundreds!

How many St. David’s parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year?

This year we have had 30 new families join. (70 people)

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year?

Include funding for social interaction with new parishioners

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Be informed of what we do in the Integration process. It is so important to give visitors the correct information and help them know what to expect as a visitor.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

That all of our members will intentionally invite others to meet our Lord.

It is a blessing to me to serve as the lead of the Integration/Invitation ministry. I pray for continual growth of St. David’s and to bring all to the knowledge of our Lord. We have a dynamic Church family and our hope is to excite all with the work of God through our ministries.

Name of Ministry

Invitation

Head of this Ministry (name)

Jan Georges

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How long have you headed this Ministry?

7 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

We feel the importance to come together as a Church family for fellowship. This year we held the following social events:

- 1) 8th annual Parish wide lunch in June.
- 2) Back to school and fall schedule Varsity truck lunch.
- 3) Ice cream social reception.

In addition, two New Members Receptions were held that were very well attended.

All events were very successful and were a great time to spend with Church family.

What was this year’s total budget for this ministry?

St. Martha’s Guild - \$4500 annually

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year?

St. Martha’s Guild \$4500 annually (included 10% reduction from last year)

I would like to expand our social functions to include a Christmas event for families.

Name of Ministry

Jeffords Fellowship Hall

Head of this Ministry (name)

Jan Georges

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How long have you headed this Ministry?

7 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

Jeffords Fellowship Hall is in its 8th year of operation and is a vibrant core of activities, both for St. David's and others outside the Church. There is very little time when the Hall is not in use for either a Church activity, rental group or non-profit gatherings. It serves as a wonderful space for our Parish to gather for many different occasions.

Below are Church activates that have taken place in JFH during 2017:

Girl Scouts from Mimosa Elementary	every other Tuesday
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Monthly
Unidad	every Thursday
PALS	twice monthly
Youth Group	as needed
Wednesday Dinner & Program	every Wednesday
Breakfast on Sunday mornings	every Sunday
Rector's Forum	every Sunday
Sunday School	every Sunday
Men's Club	monthly on Sunday
New Member's receptions	twice yearly
Parish Lunch	once a year
Back to School Food Truck	once a year
Hispanic Anniversary Party	once a year
Men's Club Christmas Dinner	once a year
Epiphany Pageant	once a year
Vacation Bible School	once a year
Clericus lunch	twice yearly
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner	once a year
Ministry Fair	once a year
Youth Fun Frenzy	once a year
Cottage School Culinary Classes	every Mon/Wed weekly
Annual Parish Meeting	once a year
Basement Band	weekly
Path to Shine	weekly
Ice Cream Social	special event

Below are rental activities that have taken place in JFH:

- Roswell Duplicate Bridge Club
- The Dutch School
- Ballroom Dance Classes
- Roswell Women's Club Award Reception
- Boy Scout Dinners
- National Charity League
- Song of Atlanta
- Quinceanera

JFH has brought in income of \$20,000 YTD for 2017.

Our budget for JFH is:

Kitchen Contractors \$16,440

Kitchen Supplies \$ 7650

JFH is a 26,000 sq ft facility and is run by a small but very efficient staff. Andi Tomaras has been a huge asset as the Operations Manager for JFH. Many thanks to Freddie Stokes and Charles Peters who go beyond what is asked to keep JFH running smoothly. We are often complimented about the organization and cleanliness of our facility. They are all a blessing!!

Name of Ministry: **St. David's Media Ministry (Sound System/Audio-Visual)**

Head of this Ministry (name) Ron Felder

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How long have you headed this Ministry? Ron has worked on the ministry for about 6 years;

What is the purpose of this Ministry? The purpose of our ministry is to ensure proper operation of the sound systems in the Nave, Grace Parish Hall, and Jeffords' Fellowship Hall; We provide recordings of the Sunday services, Rector's Forums, and selected church education programs, and we provide support for overflow seating in Grace Parish Hall primarily for the Christmas Eve and Easter Services.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$2800

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$2600 plus a directed donation from an anonymous donor

How many people serve in this ministry? 2-3

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? We support the entire parish with the sound systems in the Nave, Grace Parish Hall, and Jeffords' Fellowship Hall. We supported numerous people with recordings of the services and Dick provided CDs to parishioners who wanted recordings but didn't have internet access.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? We don't directly provide support for any people outside of the parish, except for those that use our facilities and web site.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 1-2 hours per week on average for the sound system and posting recordings; sometimes we have a longer workday to get prepared for overflow services, when making real-time repairs to the system, or when we need to spend more time editing and posting recordings.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 1-2 hours per week on average

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it? As a part of our continuing efforts to improve the sound in the Nave, we consulted with an A/V company to move the main speakers and reconfigure the system to optimize the sound. We also upgraded the wireless microphones for Fr. Ken and for Rev. Michelle.

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? We will continue to improve the sound in the Nave with a wonderful donation from an anonymous donor. We going to complete a sound assessment so that we can determine what we need to do to improve the clarity of the spoken word during the service.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Continue to provide feedback about the quality of the sound so that we can continue to improve the experience.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? That the sound continues to work well and that we can add the needed improvements at the right time.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? Towards the end of this year, Dick Lord made the decision to reduce his involvement in this ministry. He will continue to assist with recording of the church services and various programs at the church as needed as well as providing recorded media to parishioners as requested.

Name of Ministry: **Men's Club Breakfast Team**

Lead of this Ministry: Leonard J. Ferrand

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 8 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Serving weekly hot breakfast to the clergy, parishioners, visitor and homeless during the Sunday morning worship time plus provide hot coffee and tea during the weekly Sunday school time.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? This is a net zero budget ministry. Weekly donations typically offset the food cost.

How many people serve in this ministry? Currently 67 although we could use more.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Each week we serve between 90 and 110

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? Each week we have on average about 5 homeless, visitors and/or non-members from the local community attend breakfast or have breakfast taken to them.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? As ministry chair, I spent approximately 20 hours. As breakfast team captain, I spent about approximately 40 hours a year. However similar to me there are 7 other breakfast team captains which would also have about the same 40 hours a year. This does not include the volunteer hours the 59 other members spent on this ministry. Total hours would be in the thousands.

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. Each week a dedicated team prepares a hot breakfast for any and all parishioners, visitors, homeless and others. Additionally we provide coffee and tea for Sunday school participants.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Recruit more to volunteer to be on a breakfast team. While we have a total of 67 participants on 8 teams, because of personal commitments not all can consistently serve their allotted team's week. Some teams may only have 3 or 4 members cooking for 100 participants on a given week which puts a strain on the team members who are cooking. We are actively seeking new members.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? More volunteers to join and no one getting sick from our cooking.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? Because of space commitments in Jefford's Hall, sometime breakfast has to be served in Grace Hall which is through back to how breakfast was served before Jefford's Hall was built. While the space is smaller, the logistics of it being closer to the nave typically allows for more participants to attend breakfast.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? Again it will be a net zero budget.

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting] Cook breakfast each week during the year and recruit more to join a breakfast team.

Name of Ministry: **St David's Men's Retreat**

Lead of this Ministry: Loren Conrad

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 9 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To provide a weekend of Spiritual Renewal and Christian Fellowship for the Men of St David's

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$10,366

How many people serve in this ministry? 12

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 45

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 0

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 100

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

The weekend of April 21st through April 23rd, 2017, 45 Men from St David's participated in our 9th Annual Men's Retreat at Unicoi State Park, Helen, GA.

Fr. Todd Dill presented: "Discipleship 2017". He took us through the "Five Markings of a Modern Disciple" which are: Worship Centered, Intentionally Prayerful, Sacrificially Generous, Biblically Oriented and Servant in and Outside the Church. Each Marking was presented and discussed in relation to how it effects our daily lives. He also led us through his journey as he left St David's and went to St Margaret's in 2008. It was difficult as St Margaret's was split over some issues at that time and many left the parish leaving many challenges for Fr. Todd. Those challenges have since been overcome and St Margaret's is a healthy parish again.

At Noon on Friday, April 21nd, Gary Dunsmore lead 14 Men to play golf at Butternut Creek Golf Course in Blairsville while Mark Conard took 7 other men hiking in the Mountains. They all joined 10 additional men at Unicoi for an evening cookout and fellowship around the fire. Saturday morning the program began in the "Beach House", a conference facility overlooking Unicoi Lake. Breakfast each morning was prepared by Ron Bagwell, even though he was unable to attend. Saturday night Fred Hallowell and Joe Forness served a delicious steak dinner for the group. Sunday morning Fr Barry Kubler wrapped-up the program and a worship service with the Eucharist was held in the Beach House. The Eucharist was especially meaningful as each man passed the bread and wine to the next man in the Circle of Faith we had formed in the room.

The weather was good for golf and hiking on Friday. Saturday was sunny and made the retreat that much more special as we could have some of our breakout groups outdoors. Saturday night the rains came and kept us from having our Sunday worship service outdoors on the Beach House patio.

We encourage more of the men of St. David's to join us next year during the last weekend of April for the 2018 Retreat. Come for a great weekend of Spiritual Renewal and Christian Fellowship.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Encourage the men of the church to attend.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$8650

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]: We are planning another retreat in April of 2018

Name of Ministry **Pew Crew**

Head of this Ministry (name) Ralph and Katy King

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 5 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To maintain the materials contained in the pew racks and to keep the prayer books, hymnals and pew racks clean, neat and free of trash

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0.00

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$0.00

How many people serve in this ministry? 24

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? We served all parishioners and visitors who attended any service during the year.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? See above

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 15

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 1 or 2 hours a quarter

Name of Ministry: **St. David's Preschool**

Lead of this Ministry: Peggy Fallon, Director

Contact phone # : 770-993-1258

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 18 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? St. David's Preschool seeks to serve the educational needs of young children in our parish and community and help them develop a love of learning.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$276,200

How many people serve in this ministry? Director, Director's assistant, 3 specials teachers, 16 teachers/teacher assistants, 7 before and after preschool nursery workers.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Currently we have 10 families enrolled from the parish.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? There are 63 families from our community enrolled in preschool.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? Full-time

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. St. David's Preschool has a very respectable reputation in our community. Our families who have children here are happy to share our name with others and they help fill our school with new families. People say that St. David's Preschool has instructors that are talented and dependable, the curriculum is creative and fresh, the communication is top-notch, and the overall feeling is warm and welcoming. We continue to enroll students during the course of the school year which helps financially. Parishioners are able to enroll children into our program for next fall prior to Community Open Enrollment in February. **Contact the preschool office for a form before February 9, 2018.**

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? We are actively interested in supporting the church in creating an Emergency plan and also to participate in ideas on improving our common playground area.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? We ask for prayers for health and safety of our preschool children and their teachers, opportunities to be good examples to all we encounter, and for continuous enrollment.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? St. David's Preschool was represented at the NAES Biennial conference in New Orleans last November and we are on the advisement board for the conference being held in Atlanta in November 2018. The preschool received a grant from the Roswell Women's Club earlier this year and used the proceeds to purchase video surveillance cameras for the preschool wing and areas outside the church.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? Approximately \$289,000

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? We will again offer Summer Camp in the month of June, we will have the preschool hallways and classrooms painted over the summer, and to better serve our community, in the Fall we will extend our preschool morning from 3 hours to 3.5 hours and will continue to offer nursery times before and after preschool and age appropriate enrichment programs after preschool.

Name of Ministry: **Boy Scout Troop 430**

Lead of this Ministry: Jere Stokely

Contact phone #: 770-778-1885

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 5 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. In addition we strive to create an environment where both the youth and volunteer adult leaders have fun!

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? n/a the troop is self funded.

How many people serve in this ministry? 30 youth, ~20 adult volunteers, and their families

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 8 youth, 9 adults

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 22 youth, 11 adults

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 24

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

Through November we've had 4 Eagle Scout Courts of Honor, 2 Eagle Scout Projects (Sinclair House fence and Memorial Garden enhancement), Men's Club Car Show and Trunk or Treat Support, over 500 hours of community service recorded, backpacking trip in New Mexico wilderness (Philmont), weeklong Summer Camp near Blue Ridge (Woodruff), built our signature rope bridge at a District wide Scouting event, and helped a parishioner retire his worn flags. Camping trips featured zip lining, snow tubing, caving, base camping, backpacking, and of course the scouting essential – having fun.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Follow the fine example of our Rector and join us at an outing or event. Fr. Swanson joined our Colorado and New Mexico tour and even visited Philmont.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Please pray for the welfare of our scouts and their families.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

We meet every Monday night from 7:00 to 8:30 in Sinclair House. If you or your son is interested in Scouting, please visit.

We have a new Scoutmaster, Committee Chair, Treasurer, Advancement Chair, Communications Chair, Adult Quartermaster, and Event Chair. All of these adults are doing great jobs.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? n/a this ministry is self funded

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? The troop has outings/campouts planned for every month of the year including week-long Summer Camp, a High Adventure Canoeing trip in Maine, Trunk or Treat, and other service projects.

Six Mercies Ministry

Howard Cutter suggested the name for Six Mercies as depicted from our stained glass windows that are found on the left side of the nave – "*Feed the Hungry*", "*Give drink to the Thirsty*", "*Shelter the Stranger*", "*Clothe the Naked*", "*Visit the Sick*" and "*Ransom the Captive*". The anchor is a very ancient Christian symbol of hope and is found in our stained glass window "Ransom the Captive". The anchor is used as the symbol of the Six Mercies Ministry.

By November of this year, Six Mercies has interviewed over 135 people, most from an area within a few miles from the Church. We minister mostly to the working poor.

The Six Mercies Ministry ministers to those who come to the Church asking for assistance. Prior to Six Mercies the ministry was clergy based and has transitioned to a lay based ministry. The clergy had assisted when at all possible but many times if clergy was not present, the staff had to turn away those who came. We have prayed for a way to help and take some of this load from our clergy. More importantly, there is a need to be a good neighbor and to make our community a better place in which to live.

We have 23 volunteers who come each Monday and Friday from 1pm to 3pm to interview those needing assistance. The volunteers are a great resource and not only are good with clients but have made everlasting friendships with each other. I am especially thankful for their support of this ministry. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Jan Georges at 770-993-6084 ext. 118.

We ask your prayers for guidance and understanding of those who are poor, addicted, and homeless.

Jan Georges

Assistant to the Rector for Invitation and Integration

Name of Ministry: **St. Paschal's**

Lead of this Ministry: Anise Bailey and Barbara Durocher

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Barbara Durocher:(770)316-9924

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 1 1/2 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Provide the Wednesday night dinners for St. David's parishioners. We are responsible for the setup, serving and clean-up of the dinners along with supporting Chef Tiriha with the preparation of meals.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$8,000

How many people serve in this ministry? 20

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Approximately 1,000 parishioners

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? We have no way of measuring this.

However there are generally several guests.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 6 hours/week

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. The ministry provided a way for people in the parish to come together to enjoy a social period and informative lectures. The ministry is an integral part of the Wednesday night programs.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? Encourage attendance.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Greater attendance at these informative lectures.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? Programs must be well attended in order to keep this ministry self-funded. The popularity of the Wednesday night programs directly influences the viability of this ministry.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$8,500

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]. Just a successful repeat of this year.

Name of Ministry **St. Francis Guild**

Head of this Ministry (name) Peter Toy

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How long have you headed this Ministry? Five + years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? We provide a hot meal to day laborers while waiting for work on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Currently 30 - 45 meals, beverage, fruit (from Edible Arrangements), and a sweat. A team of 3 to 4 people prepare the food and distribute it before 10AM. A volunteer with a large vehicle is critical for delivery of the

meals at three locations. WE ARE IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS AND DRIVERS< please contact Peter Toy.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$5,500

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$6,000

How many people serve in this ministry? 12

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Only the ones that participating in helping prepare and serve the meals (and the four who pick up the fruit from Edible Arrangements several times a week).

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? We serve between 30 to 45 meals each Tuesday and Thursday depending on the weather and other factors. Any left overs are shared with Unidad and/or NFCC.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 180

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? 3

Did you have a major or significant program this year? Tell us about it?

In what way would you like to expand your ministry next year? Possibly add another day.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? The Tuesday Team has lost two key leaders and we need to recruit more volunteers for each team.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Some of the day laborers are in poor health (mainly due to age) and a few are homeless. We need to recruit more volunteers.

Name of Ministry: **Stephen Ministry**

Lead of this Ministry: Co-chairs Jon Ann Thompson and Don Baggett

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 2 yrs. (JAT); 5 yrs. (DB)

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To provide confidential one to one caring with trained lay ministry members with individuals of the parish who are experiencing crises, personal tragedy or other life altering events and who need spiritual and emotional support as well as prayer.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$3,250

How many people serve in this ministry? 14

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? 17

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 4

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? 95

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

We continued a new 2016 ministry initiative in giving four *Journeying through Grief* books to a bereaved spouse or family member throughout the first year following the death of a loved one. Each book describes the issues and feelings people tend to encounter at various points during the first year after a loss. Individuals who have received these books after the loss of a loved one have gained comfort and understanding in reading them. Our hope is that these books and messages will make a difference. Also information concerning our ministry is provided along with prayer and condolences on behalf of St. David's and our support and prayers are offered. Both parish members and people outside St. David's have benefited from this service. Fifty hours of training was completed by two new members who were commissioned early this year. In addition, two new potential members are currently in training to be completed and commissioned in early 2018 to become Stephen Ministers.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Pray for the leaders, lay ministers and care receivers participating in this ministry. Provide adequate funding to achieve reported goals.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

By having a Stephen Ministry, pray for members of the parish to feel during times of difficulties God's presence in their lives and feel supported by St. David's.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry?

Same amount as this year: \$3,250.

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

1. Train a new Stephen Leader so he or she will be eligible to transition into a position of leadership within the ministry.
2. Complete training of 2 new Stephen Ministers during 2018 and commission them into service.
3. Increase awareness of the ministry throughout the parish.

Name of Ministry: **UNIDAD**

Lead of this Ministry: Ken Harris

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How long have you headed this Ministry?

I have been blessed in having the opportunity to lead the UNIDAD ministry for 3 years.

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

UNIDAD focuses on creating opportunities for greater unity between members of our local Hispanic community and the at-large St. David's parish community. Outreach activities are focused on reaching out with Christian friendship, caring, and God's unconditional Love to better understand, share, and embrace the richness of our cultural traditions and legacies.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry?

The current year budget was \$13,600, the proposed budget for 2018 is \$12,440.

How many people serve in this ministry?

There are approximately 50 volunteer staff positions that are required to support the ongoing ministry. The current volunteer roles and responsibilities are: English as a Second Language (ESL) Teachers/Mentors, Pre-School and School-age Tutors/Mentors, Kitchen Support Teams for Dinner Preparation and Serving, and various Logistics Activities. Actual current monthly volunteer staffing averages 30, we continue to have significant attrition as legacy tutor/mentors have moved to other ministries after years of faithful service to UNIDAD, we are very thankful for their selfless support and service. Throughout the year both Louise Barden (ESL Coordinator) and Ama Couch (Tutoring Coordinator) continually recruit to maintain adequate staffing to meet program objectives and standards.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year?

UNIDAD has served 10 Families, including 34 children. This includes the introduction of 4 new families, replacing families who no longer participate. Many of these current UNIDAD participant families and children have become involved in other St. David's services and activities, in addition to their Spanish congregation activities and events.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year?

Not applicable for the current UNIDAD program, as the current direction is to focus on those families within our Spanish congregation

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year?

Approximately 500 hours for the year, averaging approximately 10 to 14 hours per week in direct and indirect activity and coordination.

A single volunteer could serve UNIDAD with as little as a minimum of 2 to 4 hours a month, through volunteering as a part time volunteer (one or two Thursdays a month). It is estimated that for full time (four Thursdays a month) volunteers the range is between 6 and 12 hours per month, specifically general tutors/mentors (10 to 12 hours), and kitchen support teams (6 to 9 hours).

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year.

The accomplishments for this ministry is hard to measure on a quantitative basis, we focus our efforts to create loving and caring relationships that enrich our total St. David's family. Many of the past and current UNIDAD families are active participants in parish wide activities and organizations, i.e. Children's Choir, DOK, Men's Retreat, Altar Guild, Lay Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Vestry, and many annual parish events.

We believe that through the interactions within the UNIDAD ministry we are building more trusting and caring relationships that enhance our ability to better understand and accept one another as we walk forward in fulfilling God's Will.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

Continue lifting up the Ministry as an opportunity "to act", not just talk about integration / outreach.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

First, that we are able to continue to identify and recruit additional Mentor/Tutors to improve the adult/child ratios within each of the grade levels. And secondly, that individual leaders emerge from the volunteer staff, as well as the UNIDAD family community to share in the planning and execution of a more robust and expansive program. Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

None at this time.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry?

The proposed budget for 2018 is \$12,440.

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting]

Our objectives and planning is to add up to an additional four (4) families as program participants.

Further developing "participant levels" based on individual family progress and time within the program. These participation levels will hopefully create more opportunities for the parents and older children to take on additional community responsibilities within the UNIDADs ministry and St. David's parish activities.

Name of Ministry: **Wedding Guild**

Lead of this Ministry: Roxanne Ingraham

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 5 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? To assist the rector, bride and groom, wedding party and families at the rehearsal and at the wedding ceremony

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? 14

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? We assisted with 2 weddings in 2017

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? We touched approx. 135 guests, family and members of the wedding party

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? ~ 20 hours

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. We assisted with 2 weddings in 2017

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? I have wonderful support from everyone.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? Please pray for all our newlywed couples.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? The bride's room is a multi-use room, but I would ask that choir and vergers refrain from using the brides closet to hang their vestments or store items.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$0

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting] I would like to refurbish the Bride's closet in 2018

Name of Ministry: **WELCOME MINISTRY**

Lead of this Ministry: **Shelby Crain and Caroline Greenwald**

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How long have you headed this Ministry? **January 1, 2017**

What is the purpose of this Ministry? **The purpose of the Welcome Ministry is to greet parishioners and visitors on Sunday morning. Greeters also answer questions and give directions to classes and special events. Since our greeters are the first people seen on Sunday mornings, our goal is to serve as St. David's hosts, making each person entering our doors feel welcome and connected to our community. In particular, we want visitors to feel comfortable when they visit St. David's, so we walk first time visitors to the nave, and give them a Welcome Packet of information, along with a Visitors Card to fill out. We also serve at the discretion of the Rector for special events and funerals.**

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? **\$00.00**

How many people serve in this ministry? **52**

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? **Anyone attending service on Sunday or special event at St. David's.**

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? **Any visitors attending Sunday services.**

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? **100 hours**

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. **Our goal for 2017 focused on adding an additional 10 members, which we achieved as of November 2017. Additionally, the Welcome Ministry is now easily identified by a special Welcome Ministry nametag, which identifies each greeter as the "go to" person for information.**

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? **Encourage parishioners to join our ministry and direct parishioners to the visitor center for information. Also, we believe that the Welcome Ministry is a perfect place for newcomers to St. David's who may not be sure where to begin to serve. Since the Welcome Ministry members must make an effort to be informed about the educational offerings of St. David's, it is a good place to become more familiar with the church. Additionally, serving as a Welcome Minister allows new members to meet other members more quickly and also become familiar with available programs.**

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Additional members. More importantly, please pray that we are able to welcome visitors in a way that draws them into our St. David's community. Pray also that we are able to connect with those who are searching for a place to grow in their faith journey.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year?

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? **\$00.00**

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting] **We would like to add 3-5 people to assure coverage during the Sunday School Hour.**

Name of Ministry: **Youth Ministry**

Head of this Ministry: Katie McRee, 770-843-1493, katie@stdavidchurch.org

How long have you headed this Ministry? 13 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry?

The purpose of the youth ministry at St. David's is to help youth understand who they are in relationship to God and grow in spiritual maturity by providing them with opportunities for formation, fellowship and outreach.

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$15,712 (non-income based)

What is proposed in the budget for this ministry for next year? \$17,932 (non-income based)

How many people serve in this ministry? There are 15 volunteers that work with our youth on a regular basis, 20 confirmation mentors that gather on a monthly basis, and several other adults that help as needed.

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? There are currently 258 6th-12th graders in our database. During this school year, I see 60-70 kids per week.

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? This is incredibly difficult to gauge, as we do several relational service projects though out the year, and it's hard to clearly define where the benefits end. The biggest project we did in 2017 was go on a mission trip to North Carolina where we put a new roof and siding on a home for a man who had recently suffered a from a stroke.

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year

On average, I work 40 hours a week.

What is the minimum hours per month required to be active in this ministry? Like anything else, the more energy you put into youth activities the more benefits you will experience. Coming to Sunday School on a regular basis (45 minutes per week) would certainly be a first step in becoming integrated into the youth program, followed by regular attendance at youth group (about 4 hours per month)

Did you have a major or significant program this year?

We were very busy in 2017! We continued with our typical six Sunday School classes and met several times a month on Sunday afternoons for youth group. Among other things, in the spring we had our annual MLK Fun Frenzy lock-in, went to Main Event for laser tag, and created some awesome escape rooms in Jeffords Hall. We confirmed 18 youth, and had a Youth Sunday service where several of the Confirmands were invited to give a homily. In late April we had our first Senior Sunday, where we recognized and celebrated 19 of our high school graduates. In the fall, we had our annual Back to School Adventure, which was a Wonder Woman theme, had another Youth Sunday service, and went on a retreat to Camp Mikell with 39 of our youth. Our last adventure for the year was "The Race for Baby Jesus," which was a road rally with stops that told the story of the birth of Jesus and was attended by 45 of our youth.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry?

The leadership of St. David's is wonderfully supportive of our youth and our programs. During this time of transition, my hope is that you will encourage and support new leadership, make yourself available to help whenever possible, and continue to embrace our youth as full members of the church.

We will pray for your ministry throughout the year. Is there something specific for which you would like us to pray?

Please pray that our youth find their identity in Christ during a time that is so easy to look elsewhere for validation. Pray that they desire to build each other up and be a source of light and hope in their church community, as well as at school, home, and with friends. Pray for our leaders; that they would enjoy the time they spend with our youth and would look for ways to invest in those relationships.

Name of Ministry: **Youth Lectors for 9am Service**

Lead of this Ministry: Lisa Puckett

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How long have you headed this Ministry? 2 years

What is the purpose of this Ministry? Provide Youth Lectors for the 9am Service

What was this year's total budget for this ministry? \$0

How many people serve in this ministry? 21

How many St. David's parishioners did this ministry serve/help this last year? Too many to count

How many people outside St. David's did this ministry serve/help this year? 0

How many hours did you, as the head of the ministry, spend on this ministry this year? I spend about 30 min/week

Provide a brief summary of this ministry's accomplishments for this year. The Youth Lector Ministry remains a strong one. We gained 3 new lectors this year and they have already been trained by Darlene Swanson. I give feedback each week to the readers – both positive feedback and any needs for improvement.

What can the leadership of the parish do to better support your ministry? We are supported weekly by Linda Thomas and Rev. Anne Elizabeth with the upcoming readings and needs for the next Sunday. We don't need any additional support.

As we pray for your ministry throughout the year, is there something specific for which you would like us to pray? I would like to have prayers for these beautiful young voices that share the Word with our church. They are all very talented and they love to contribute in this way to the service.

Other information you might like to share about your work and ministry this year? I have really enjoyed working with our youth in this ministry and getting to know them a little better. They are a fantastic group of kids.

What is next year's proposed total budget for this ministry? \$0

What programs (including ministry expansion programs) or events your ministry has planned for next year? (List goals and months) [Information provided will determine frequency of reporting] Nothing new, just making sure that everyone continues to hone their skills as effective readers.