

“THE ILLUMINATION”

Looking Ahead—Wednesday Evenings in Lent

March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, Swanson Hall

6:00 p.m. Simple Meal

6:30-7:30 p.m. Program

“Joseph and the Way of Forgiveness

Is Forgiveness Really Possible In Our Lives?”



**The
Story of
Joseph
and His
Brothers**

It’s one of the most beloved stories in the Bible—Joseph and his brothers. And, it’s surely one of the most difficult of all the spiritual tasks that Jesus commands of us—forgiveness to those who have hurt us.

- What can we learn from the ancient story of Joseph and his forgiveness of his brothers, who betrayed him?
- What can we learn from the latest research in the field of psychotherapy?

Join us on this Lenten Journey, with the Rev. Dr. Stefanie Taylor, Priest Associate at St. Martin’s in the Fields Episcopal Church and Chaplain for St. Martin’s School, and her husband, Dr. Arthur Taylor,

psychotherapist, who has written his Doctoral Thesis on the subject of Forgiveness.

Babysitting provided; dinner reservations requested. More information will be forthcoming.

A Lenten Journey with a Priest and a Psychotherapist

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Sunday Evening Chapel Mass Schedule

Chapel Mass will meet monthly in Grace Parish Hall, at 6:00 p.m., following this schedule:

February 9

March 8

April 26



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of St. David's
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after hours, call the church office at
770-993-6084, follow the voice
prompt, hit the #6 on your keypad,
leave a message, and the Priest on call
will return your call.



The next issue of the
newsletter will be mailed
on Feb. 12. The deadline
for submissions is Friday,
Feb. 7, 2020.

CALENDAR

○a.m./●p.m.

JFH=Jeffords Fellowship Hall, PH=Grace Parish Hall

Saturday, Feb. 1

- 8:30 Men's Bible Study-PH
- 10:30 AA Mtg.-House
- 4:00 Atlanta Baroque Orchestra
- 6:30 Honduras Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, Feb. 2

- 11:00 Children 1st Communion
- 11:15 Youth Leadership Team Mtg.
- 12:00 Hispanic 1st Communion
Class—Bethany
- 2:45 Hispanic Candelaria reception

Monday, Feb. 3

- 10:30 Yoga class-JFH front half
- 12:00 Chair Yoga
- 6:15 EFM-Bethany
- 6:30 Scouts—House
- 7:00 Ballroom Dance

Tuesday, Feb. 4

- 6:30 Bible Study at IHOP
- 11:30 59 & Holding Feb. Lunch
- 1:00 DOK Discernment class
- 3:15 Dutch School
- 6:30 Covenant Group-Garrett

Wednesday, Feb. 5

- 9:30 WOW-St. Gabriel
- 11:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH
- 11:00 Women's Bible Study-PH
- 1:00 Path to Shine-JFH classrooms
- 1:15 Cottage School Cooking class

Thursday, Feb. 6

- 10:00 Ladies Thurs. Bible Study
- 10:00 Sue Wallace Mtg.-Bethany
- 1:00 Path to Shine-JFH classrooms
- 6:00 Al-Anon—PH
- 7:00 Friends of the Memorial
Garden Mtg.
- 7:30 Choir Rehearsal-choir loft

Friday, Feb. 7

- 11:00 Roswell Bridge Club-JFH
- 11:00 Prayer Shawl Mtg.-Bethany
- 1:00 Six Mercies—Library

Saturday, Feb. 8

- 8:30 Men's Bible Study-PH
- 10:00 DOK Mtg.-PH
- 10:30 AA Mtg.-House

Sunday, Feb. 9

Youth Sunday

- 11:00 Children 1st Communion
- 12:00 Hispanic 1st Communion
Class—Bethany
- 3:30 Girl Scouts-Preschool group

Our church calendar is continuously updated
on our website at www.stdavidchurch.org.

Worship Schedule

- 7:45 a.m. H.E., Rite I
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast in Jeffords Hall
- 9:00 a.m. H.E., Rite II
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:15 a.m. H.E., Rite II
- 1:15 p.m. Mass in Spanish

Lectionary for Feb. 2

- Malachi 3:1-4, Psalm 24:7-10
- Hebrews 2:14-18
- Luke 2:22-40

Lectionary for Feb. 9

- Isaiah 58:1-9a, Psalm 112:1-10
- 1 Corinthians 2:1-12
- Matthew 5:13-20



Note from St. David's Preschool:

Church members can have
priority registration for the 2020-
21 school year for children ages
18 months to 5 years old.

Contact the office:

(770)-993-1258 or email:
preschool@stdavidchurch.org
for more information.

59 & Holding February Program

Please join us on Tuesday, Feb. 4, in Swanson Hall. Fellowship starts at 11:30, followed by lunch and program at 12:00. Karen Vaughn accompanied by Sue Wallace will perform "A Broadway Salute to Valentine's Day." They will entertain you with a variety of songs from familiar Broadway shows like Carousel, Show Boat, My Fair Lady, and Guys and Dolls that celebrate different aspects of love: young love, excited love, disappointed love, happy love, exasperated love. Some songs might tug at your hearts strings and others might make you laugh. All will remind you of why we celebrate St. Valentine's Day! Please make reservations for our catered lunch no later than Thursday, January 31, by:

- Signing-up in the mailbox hallway
- Sending an email to seniors@stdavidchurch.org
- or calling the church at 770-993-1094, ext. 125, and leaving a message.

Donations for lunch are greatly appreciated.



First Communion Class

Begins January 26, 2020. Register Now! Dates and times: January 26th, February 2nd and 9th, from 11:15-12:30 downstairs in JFH. First Communion Sunday celebrated February 23 at the 9:00 service. Sign up at the end of the main hallway or email Judy Hine, at children@stdavidchurch.org.

Honduras Mission Chili Cook-Off

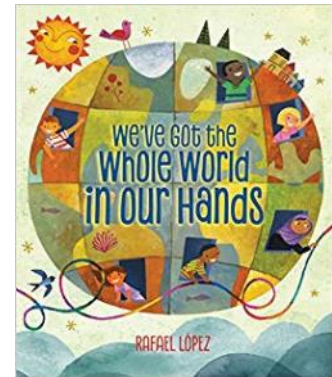
**Come taste all the wonderful
chili dishes!**

Come join us for the first annual Chili Cook off in Swanson Hall on Saturday Feb. 1, at 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Honduras Building Mission, this night will be filled with fun times, a silent auction, and information about our trips! It is \$10/person with a max price of \$40/family. For tickets, go to this website: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/great-bowls-of-fire-tickets-81602345813>. If you want to sign up to be in the chili cook off, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f44afa92cabfe3-chili>. For more information email [amy.erin.hill@gmail.com!](mailto:amy.erin.hill@gmail.com)



VBS 2020

Save the Date! June 8-12. Registration opens April 1st! Questions? Contact Director of Children's Ministry, Judy Hine, at children@stdavidchurch.org or the Asst. to the Director, Micky Trifanescu, at micky@stdavidchurch.org.



Rector's Forum on February 9

10:15 a.m. in Swanson Hall

As a follow-up to last year's program

"Does God Care Who Wins the Super Bowl?"

Rev. Rich Sanders will lead the Rector's Forum on Feb. 9th with an all-new program with theological developments from the 2019 season, including: provocative signs from College Gameday at Notre Dame v. Georgia, player baptisms at Clemson, and Tua's keeping the faith through injury recovery. Football music from NFL Films will be featured throughout, and you can even toss a football! Come celebrate God's work through another exciting football season!



Fr. Dean's class, "From Genesis to Jesus" will resume through Lent following this special class from Rich Sanders.

New Ministry Forming! Friends of the Memorial Garden

..... will be a new ministry focusing on overseeing and maintaining the Memorial Garden at St. David's. All who love and care for this sacred space are welcome to help us discern and create a ministry that will care for the Garden and perhaps develop a long-term design plan for the space. Our first meeting will be Thursday, February 6, at 7 pm in Bethany Room. Want to know more?? Please contact Lee Hunter at leehunter@kw.com or 770-274-8385.



OUTDOORS MINISTRY

Outdoors Ministry - Cumberland Island – March 2020

Cumberland Island National Seashore is the largest and southernmost barrier island in Georgia, offering guests over 17 miles of secluded white, sandy beaches. Wild horses and other island wildlife roam freely throughout the ruins and along the beach. The Dungeness Ruins are the remains of a mansion built by Thomas Carnegie, brother and partner of steel tycoon Andrew Carnegie. Georgian Revival–style Plum Orchard is another Carnegie estate. The simple, 1-room First African Baptist Church lies north. Wildlife includes loggerhead turtles and feral horses. Options of camping for two nights at Sea Camp or day trip. Ferry to island, with multiple times of arrival and departure. Tour of historic island with guide. Bike riding optional. If interested, contact Mary Veal at mdelucciaveal@comcast.net.



ATLANTA BAROQUE ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Saturday, Feb. 1, 4:00 p.m. at St. David's Episcopal Church

Join Us for a Night at the Opera!

Prepare to be exhilarated during this night of opera hits sung by two top-notch virtuosos, lushly accompanied by the ABO's formidable instrumental ensemble. Atlanta-based countertenor Nathan Medley returns this season after last year's knockout debut with the ABO, joined by internationally renowned tenor Kyle Stegall for an evening of blockbuster arias by G.F. Handel, J.P. Rameau, Antonio Vivaldi, and others. Tickets may be purchased online at <https://atlantabaroque.org/> or at the door.

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BAROQUE
ORCHESTRA
JULIE ANDRIJESKI, DIRECTOR

CENTERING PRAYER

“Silence is God’s first language. Everything else is a poor translation.” Thomas Keating



St. David's Centering Prayer group is beginning again!

Centering Prayer is a deeply rewarding prayer practice that seeks to open the mind and heart to experience the presence of God through silence and stillness. It is a spiritual

discipline that takes practice to empty the mind from distractions, including thoughts, words, and even emotions. It moves prayer from a conversation with God to being in communion with God. In today's busy world this type of prayer is richly rewarding as it invites the practitioner to stop and simply be present to God presence. Centering prayer can be done individually but it often helps to begin with a group for support and accountability. More information can be found online at <https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org>

Centering Prayer meets from 10am-11am, in the St. Gabriel room downstairs at the end of the mailbox hallway. Future dates are:

2/12, 2/26, 3/11, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22, 5/6.

RECTOR'S FORUM THRU LENT

Adult Education... Sunday Mornings thru Lent 10:15-11:00 a.m., Swanson Hall

From Genesis to Jesus: What Can the Torah Tell Us About Christ?



For centuries, Christians have made the grave error of seeing Jesus' life, teachings, and even resurrection as "separate" from the Hebrew Scriptures that he himself read and followed. What are those connections that we must make now? What new discoveries in history, literary analysis, and even archaeology, shed light on the most ancient texts in the Bible?

Topics include, "Was Adam a Neanderthal?" "Adam and Eve: the first Love Story"; "Cain and Abel: 'Mom always liked you best!'" "Isaac to Abraham: 'Um, Dad, where did you say that sacrifice was?'" and other themes until, by the end of Lent, we will explore the major ways that we have viewed the Crucifixion and Resurrection itself.

Join Interim Rector Dean Taylor as he explores these timeless, sacred stories in a new way!

CAMP MIKELL SUMMER SESSIONS

Mini Camp Rising 1st and 2nd Graders	May 15 – May 17, 2020 \$365.00 <i>includes cost for camper and parent/guardian</i>
Youth Camp Rising 10th-Just Graduated	May 24 – May 30, 2020 \$465.00
Performing Arts Camp Rising 4th-9th Graders	May 31 – June 6, 2020 \$465.00
Intermediate Camp Rising 8th and 9th Graders	June 14 – June 20, 2020 \$465.00
Junior Camp Rising 6th and 7th Graders	June 21 – June 27, 2020 \$465.00
Kid Camp Rising 3rd-5th Graders	July 6 – July 11, 2020 \$450.00
Work Camp Rising 10th Grade – Just Graduated	July 13 – July 18, 2020 \$365.00
Guest Camp Children, Adults, and Families of all Ages	September 4 – September 7, 2020

St. David's Adult Preparation Class for the Sacrament of Confirmation Or Reception into the Episcopal Church 2020

Sunday Mornings in February, Feb. 2—Feb. 23, 2020
10:15—11:00 a.m. in back half of Swanson Hall

We will gather as a community to discuss what it means to join the Episcopal Church of the USA. Topics will include The Book of Common Prayer, The Meaning of the Sacraments, History of the Church, the Priesthood of all believers.

This class will provide preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church here at St. David's on Sunday, April 19, at the 11:15 a.m. service. The Rite of Reception is for Christians who previously have been confirmed in another denomination, including Roman Catholic and Methodist churches.

Everyone is welcome including those who wish to attend a "refresher course." If interested, just come to the class on Feb. 2. If you have questions, please contact The Rev. Michelle Ortiz at mortiz@stdavidchurch.org.



ATTENTION ST. DAVID'S CHURCH MEMBERS:



Priority Preschool Registration for 2020-2021
will run from February 3-9, 2020
email: preschool@stdavidchurch.org or call
770-993-1258 to schedule a tour



Outdoors Ministry visits Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Park with Park Ranger Jeff Veal, who is a St. David's parishioner.



The logo for the Nominating Committee features a stylized, abstract graphic of a building or structure in shades of gray above the text "Nominating Committee" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

Nominating Committee

Update from the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is excited to announce that we are now accepting applications from candidates interested in becoming the next Rector at St. David's! We will be accepting applications until February 15th.

If you know anyone who may be interested in applying for the position, please direct him or her to apply through the Diocese of Atlanta's website (<https://www.episcopalatlanta.org/>). Our OTM profile is posted on the national Church's website and listed in the Episcopal News Service job postings. Our parish profile is published on St. David's website (<http://stdavidchurch.org/parish-profile/>).

We are excited to take this next step in our search process and can't wait to meet the candidates God leads to our church!