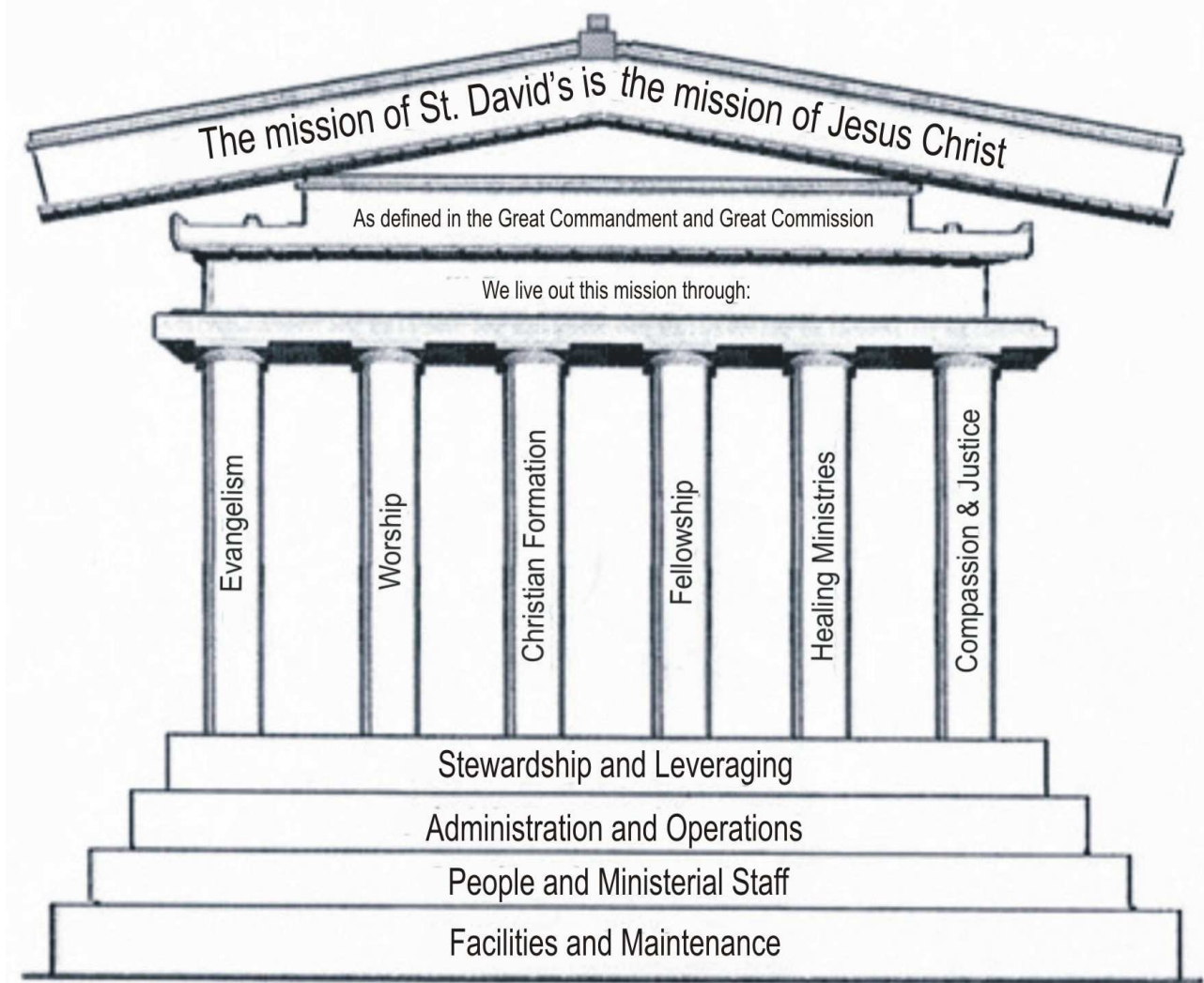


Saint David's Episcopal Church

2011 Annual Report



Annual Parish Meeting
Sunday January 29, 2012

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2011 Vestry

Senior Warden: Elaine Turnbull & Ann Packard

Jr. Warden: Kendra Thomas

Christian Formation: Lane Woolery

Communications: Jarrod Holmes/Mel Waterhouse

Compassion & Justice: Lynn Ten Eyck

Evangelism: Rick Kruse

Evangelism/Newcomers: Margaret Fox

Facilities & Maintenance: David Priest

Finance: Craig Winder

Fellowship: Gini Holcomb/Jamie Wood

Pastoral Ministries: Dotty Baty

Treasurer: Skip Sedgwick

Vestry Clerk: Jan Daugherty

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

January 29, 2012

The Mission of St. David's is the Mission of Jesus Christ

Call to order

The Rev. Suzanne Watson

- Opening Prayer
- Establish quorum
- Welcome guests
- Approval of Agenda (Include defining rules of debate – time limits & time keeper)
- Approval of Minutes (January 23, 2011 Meeting)

Treasurer's Report

F. Skip Sedgwick

- 2011 year-end report: Church & Preschool
- Approved 2012 budget: Church & Preschool
- Questions to Treasurer (1.5 min max per person)

Officers' Reports

- Priest-in-Charge The Rev. Suzanne Watson
- Pastoral Associate The Rev. Thomas Wilson
- Wardens Elaine Turnbull, Ann Packard, Kendra Thomas
- Preschool Report Silvana Vollero

Committee Reports:

- Bylaws Committee Vera Mizell, Parliamentarian
- Children's Ministry Mary McCormick Whitehouse
- Youth Ministry Chris Moreno or Katie Turley

Special Orders - Elections

- **Election of Convention Delegates** The Rev. Suzanne Watson
- Nominating Committee Ann Packard
- **Election of Preschool Advisory Council**
- Nominating Committee Ann Packard
- **Election of Vestry Members** The Rev. Suzanne Watson
- Nominating Committee Ann Packard
- Certification of nominees Vera Mizell, Parliamentarian

New Business

The Rev. Suzanne Watson

Awards

The Rev. Suzanne Watson

- Vestry Gifts
- Copeland Award

Comments (1.5 min max per person)

Closing Prayer & Adjournment:

The Rev. Suzanne Watson

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING ~ JANUARY 23, 2011

The annual meeting of St. David's Episcopal Church was called to order at 11 a.m. at St. David's Episcopal Church, 5050 Milton Street, San Diego, CA on January 23, 2011 by Senior Warden Roseann Myers.

The Rev. Suzanne Watson gave an opening prayer and read the roll call of the dead (*Muriel Edith Madryga and Park Willoughby Richardson*). She then led the assembly in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

The Senior Warden presented the agenda and asked for a Vestry Clerk volunteer. Parish Administrative Treena Roman was named Clerk pro tem.

The 2010 minutes were approved as presented.

Elections

2011 Vestry: Roseann Myers introduced the Vestry candidates for 2011. The candidates for the four open positions were Gini Holcomb, Rick Kruse, David Priest, and Craig Winder. The candidates (except for Rick Kruse) presented summaries of their biographies. Roseann Myers called for candidates for nominations from the floor. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed and the nominees were elected.

Preschool Advisory Council has three positions open. The Rev. Suzanne encouraged people to volunteer. **Linda Ten Eyck, Lynn Nicholson, and Kathy Winder** volunteered from the floor. Nominations were closed, and the nominees were elected.

2012 Diocesan Convention: Nominations to serve as delegates to the 2012 Diocesan Convention were: Roseann Myers, Alana Sedgwick, Eric Priest, and Harry Packard. Nominations were closed and ballots were distributed. Roseann Myers, Alana Sedgwick, and Eric Priest were elected to serve as the 2012 Diocesan Convention Delegates.

Senior Warden – Year in Review

Roseann Myers presented a review of 2011 at St. David's. After Father Brent resigned, a decision was made by the Vestry to move forward on the Priest-in-Charge model. The Reverend Suzanne E. Watson was chosen to fill that position.

Roseann thanked Reverends Jim Kellett and Jack Whitehouse as supply priests during the summer. She also thanked the team who worked to upgrade the rectory to prepare for Rev. Suzanne and her family to move in. She recognized Rev. Amanda May for the transfiguration service. Roseann discussed the "Coffee & Conversation" forums as a means of making informed decisions. Rev. Suzanne has continued to have the forums. The Senior Warden stated the transition period of the Food Pantry over the summer has been successful. The Rev. Suzanne formed a committee to work on improvements. A grant of \$2,500 was approved by the Jubilee Center to pay the Food Pantry volunteers mileage and to increase the refrigerated and dry storage.

The Vestry decided to use pillars and a foundation to represent St. David's mission structure. The Vestry is revising the budget to represent the mission structure.

The Rev. Suzanne E. Watson- Looking Forward

The Rev. Suzanne stated the effectiveness of St. David's community working together is what called her to St. David's.

Rev. Suzanne reviewed the parochial statistics:

- Easter services' attendance was lower than usual.
- Average Sunday attendance has increased since she started in September, an average of eight people per Sunday. For an Episcopal Church, we are in the 10th percentile of the most attendance per Sunday.
- The number of baptisms and weddings increased in 2011.
- Christmas services had an increased attendance.
- Rev. Suzanne commented on the strength of the Stewardship Committee and that pledges are up.
- Rev. Suzanne gave credit to the Hospitality, Newcomers, Outreach Committees, and the glory of God in helping make people feel welcome.

The Rev. Suzanne thanked the Music Director Ken Fox for the Music program and for sharing his passionate gift with St. David's. She also thanked Treena Roman, Parish Administrator, for her leadership in organizing the office, web site, bulletins, and volunteers. She thanked Terri Rochambeau, Director of the Preschool, for her successful leadership. She also thanked Jo-Ann Gilbert, the bookkeeper. Suzanne stated that she and her fellow clergy, including the Rev. Bill Mahedy, the Rev. Margaret England, the Rev. Jim Kellett, the Rev. Jack Whitehouse, and the Rev. Dr. Mary Blair-Loy enjoy a friendly relationship.

Looking forward, Rev Suzanne feels St. David's needs to create a strong infrastructure to continue to grow. She wants the ministries at St. David's to be structured by the pillars of the mission structure diagram. Statistics show that a clergy leader can lead about 150 parishioners effectively. She feels that moving forward the Vestry and congregation will need to take increased leadership roles in carrying out St. David's mission.

Rev. Suzanne gave a special thanks to all the retiring 2010 Vestry members (*Todd Edwards, Erik Evans, Michael Holcomb, Gwen Hunter, and Roseann Myers*) for their hard work and presented them with gifts.

Rev. Suzanne spoke of the model in New Zealand of working together in leadership positions. She has asked Ann Packard and Elaine Turnbull to serve as Co-Senior Wardens for 2011. The People's Warden will be decided at the Vestry Retreat next month. She hopes to have an executive advisory committee this year.

Awards

Rev. Suzanne presented the **Copeland Award** to Roseann Myers, for her hard work and dedication as Senior Warden, and to Bill Blakeslee for his optimism every Sunday morning in the sacristy and for spreading God's love. She wished she could award everyone in the parish the Copeland award for all their hard work and dedication to St. David's and the various ministries.

Treasurer's Report

Skip Sedgwick, Parish Treasurer, stated it was not necessary to use the line of credit, because pledges were paid early and many gifts were received. There was a 15K budget for gifts for 2010 budget; however, there were 34K in gifts! There were positive year-end totals.

Skip reviewed the vestry-approved 2011 Operating and Capital Budgets, and the Maintenance Reserve Budget Summary. The church is past due for an audit.

Skip stated the Preschool ended 2010 in the black! The Preschool is self-sustaining, and also pays St. David's a "site-fee." The Preschool has a balanced budget for 2011 and has added pensions for their staff. A question was asked from the floor about the increase in administrative costs. Skip stated that the church staff was given small raises. A summary of the Church and Preschool budgets can be found at the end of the Annual Report. Detailed 2011 line item finance reports are available upon request. Roseann thanked Skip for his hard work as the treasurer.

Senior Warden

Roseann encouraged parishioners to come to the Finance Meetings and help with grants like the one received for the Food Bank. She stated that the budget is reviewed many times during the year and changes are made to accommodate unexpected needs. She also encouraged fundraisers, such as the Rummage Sale and the Barn Dance in 2010. She feels we give with both money and our talents, and we can feel proud and good about what is accomplished at St. David's.

Announcements

Debby Park read a letter from Mary Lou Wrench saying that she has recovered from her breast cancer surgery and begins radiation in a month. She thanks everyone for our prayers, and is awed by the power and strength of prayer.

Closing prayer and dismissal at 12.15 p.m.

Treena Roman, Clerk pro tem

PRIEST'S REPORT

*The Mission of St. David's Episcopal Church is the Mission of Jesus Christ
As defined by Jesus' Great Commandment and Great Commission.*

St. David's is first and foremost a community that seeks to live out Jesus's Great Commandment, to love God and neighbor, and the Great Commission, to go forth and make disciples of all people. This community's dedication to Jesus' mission is evident in many ways:

- In **worship**: Sunday services, the Wednesday healing service, the Thursday meditative service, and special services like Evensong, Blue Christmas, and Tenebrae. The types of services are very different, but the commonality is that each offers an opportunity to gather together, expressing our deep love of God through corporate worship.
- In the passion of this community for reaching out with **compassion** and seeking **justice**: food pantry ministry, the St. David's Preschool, CCSA, partnership with the interfaith shelter, and more.
- In our dedication to **helping people** live healthy lives: our missional commitment to AA, Al-anon and NAMI and through our many healing ministries like Prayer Squares, Order of St. Luke, Lay Eucharistic Visitors, and County Mental Health services.
- In our commitment to being **formed by Christ** through Holy Scripture: multiple bible studies, seasonal resources, Sunday forums, the comprehensive and well-organized library, and more.
- In the ways that we **gather** outside of worship, to laugh and grow and together be shaped by Christ: youth group, children's ministries, pancake breakfasts, Daughters of the King, fundraisers, pub gatherings, midnight Christmas toasts, foyer dinners, and more.
- In the foundational ministries: **stewardship, administration, finance and facilities management.**

A missional community committed to Christ does not develop all by itself. It is brought about by the many members working towards the good of the one body. As we read in 1 Cor 12:12:

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ (NRSV).

This community is what it is today because of the generations of ministers (both lay and ordained) and staff (both paid and unpaid) working together to make the St. David's whole greater than the sum of its parts. Thank you to all who have made St. David's what it is today, for choosing to live out your Christian duty of following Christ by coming together each week for corporate worship at St. David's, and by working, praying, and giving for the spread of the kingdom of God through this community. (From the Catechism in [The Book of Common Prayer](#), page 856.) As I look over the past year, there is so much for which to give thanks in our community.

The 2011 year served as a stark reminder that the very nature of community is fluid. This past year an unprecedented number of members came to eternal rest in our Lord. While we find comfort in the sure hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, the multitude and magnitude of the losses leads to a collective heavy heart. It is hard to say goodbye...

And balancing that heavy heart is the joy of welcoming new faces to our community. Our parish rolls show 12 baptisms, 13 confirmations, and 7 receptions—also an unprecedented number. We show an increase in average Sunday attendance to 147 (up an average of 5 from 2010). To our newcomers and newly baptized, we say welcome! We're glad you are part of this community.

It was also a year that saw changes in personnel. We are grateful to the years of service of JoAnn Gilbert as bookkeeper and Theresa Rochambeau as Preschool Director. In 2011 we welcomed Marianne Boaz as our new bookkeeper, and Silvana Vollero as our new Preschool Director. Our prayers for of an additional priest were answered when our new Pastoral Associate, The Rev. Tom Wilson joined the staff. We are blessed by and grateful for both the contribution of those who served in these positions in the past, and by the significant skills of those who have now joined the team.

As Bishop Mathes reminded us in his recent visit, since the time of Paul over 2000 years ago, there has been conflict in worshipping communities. As in previous years in this community's life, 2011 showed that St. David's is not immune.

However, throughout this conflict, Episcopal polity was followed. I am grateful to both the Diocese and the Vestry for their leadership as we together negotiated difficulties. Our journey through conflict over the past year is one that can ultimately lead to growth—both for us personally and as a community. Trusting in the power of the Spirit to transform and bring about this growth, it is time to move on and open our individual and collective hearts to the Spirit’s work. Remembering Bishop Mathes’ invitation to look for Christ in each other is the first step.

Also as in previous years, finances continue to be a concern. However, I am thankful to the Budget Subcommittee (B3), the Finance Committee and the Vestry for their diligent and responsible work of preparing and approving a balanced budget. While the budget shows a cut in all ministry areas and a cut in my hours and salary, God has bestowed upon us many gifts and given us creative minds. God truly does give us what we need to do the work God calls us to do. Thank you to each person who gave back to God out of gratitude so that St. David’s can continue to live out the Mission of Jesus Christ.

Last year I closed with the words “It’s a gift to serve God with you at this place and at this time, and I wonder how the Spirit will continue to be manifest in each of us and through our many ministries and gifts in 2011...” Looking over the totality of 2011, the Spirit’s work is evident in many ways. Moving forward into 2012, I once again, from my heart, express that it is a gift to serve God with you at this place and at this time, and ask how will the Spirit continue to be manifest in each of us and through our many ministries and gifts in 2012...

Faithfully in Christ’s love, The Rev. Suzanne E. Watson

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE REPORT

I cannot put into words how excited I was to be called to serve at St. David’s in mid-October. Thank you for your warm and gracious welcome. As your Pastoral Associate, I assist Rev. Suzanne in her ministry. I am involved liturgically, pastorally and educationally. As a part-time volunteer, you may not see me at every meeting and event, but hopefully we will continue to get to know each other on Sundays and at those various functions that I do attend.

The Rev. Tom A. Wilson, Pastoral Associate

SENIOR WARDENS REPORT

SENIOR WARDENS’ REPORT

We began the year with this quote, “*may we be inspired by the possibilities of change, experience a conversion and be enriched by spiritual growth*” in our personal lives and together as a congregation. (Paraphrased from Welcome to the Church Year, Lent)

Changes came in many forms. Personnel and staff changes were the most challenging for our Priest-in-charge and the vestry. After nine years as our bookkeeper, JoAnn Gilbert, and eleven years as our Preschool Director, Theresa Rochambeau, departed. We thank them for their years of dedicated service.

One person who experienced many changes and deserves our thanks is Treena Roman, Parish Administrator. Change continues as the “description” of that particular job unfolds. We acknowledge the difficulties and challenges she faced through all that has transpired.

We welcome and thank our new bookkeeper, Marianne Boaz, for coming on board and quickly learning our bookkeeping system to keep us in order.

We had the benefit of an experienced search team to hire a new Preschool Director and interview teachers. Many thanks go to Mel Waterhouse, Ann Packard, Alana Sedgwick, Chris Timmins, and Rachel Matteson, a preschool parent. Silvana Vollero was hired as our new Preschool Director. Her dedication and efforts has allowed us to keep the learning environment for preschool children a thriving mission at St. David’s.

Financially our Preschool is now self-sustaining and will not require subsidy from our parish in the coming year.

We thank our preschool teachers Ms. Zynthia, Ms. Selene, Ms. Khou, Ms. Kelly, and Ms. Kim for their commitment and efforts on behalf of our preschoolers. The positive comments from parents are a testament to their efforts.

We must thank our Music Director Ken Fox, for continuing to provide us with an outstanding and heartfelt music program. (His personal investment of time and funds goes beyond his salary and is a real gift to our parish.)

Our finances and balanced budget were a challenge. Thank you to the “Budget Boys Team” Craig Winder, Rick Kruse, and Skip Sedgwick, Treasurer, for the difficult task in balancing the budget for 2012 and the monthly commitment of our finance committee members. Thanks to the Stewardship Team under the direction of Shirley Culver for contacting everyone in our parish. We thank all of you who pledged and gave financially. Fundraising ideas that invite others in the community to join us will be necessary to keep some of our programs working.

Our thanks go to the individuals and teams for their work on the Employee Handbook: Dotty Baty, Mel Waterhouse, Roseann Myers, Bob Shaw and Gini Holcomb, to Vera Mizell our onsite parliamentarian who instructs us on meeting protocol. Also, thanks to our By-laws committee: Vera Mizell, Roseann Myers and Fred Conway who are working to update our 1992 by-laws. Thank you to each of our vestry members for your efforts and focus on behalf of our parish. Thank you Mel Waterhouse and Jamie Wood appointed to fulfill Jarrod Holmes’ and Gini Holcomb’s positions on the vestry. We are grateful for our clergy who have kept us on a spiritual path: The Rev. Suzanne Watson, The Rev. Margaret England, The Rev. Jim Kellett, The Rev. Jack Whitehouse and The Rev. Bill Mahedy. We welcome and thank The Rev. Tom Wilson who joined us this year and has been inspirational in liturgy and pastoral issues.

What is remarkable, and such a gift from God as you read this report, is that through dedication and hard work from parishioners and clergy the Holy Spirit was at work through all the ministries in St. David’s parish. We accomplished much together. We experienced spiritual growth under the leadership of The Rev. Suzanne Watson. There was a variety of services offered in the Tenebrae service, Church at the beach, the Sarum Mass, Blue Christmas, and the Candlelight service on Christmas Eve attended by many beyond our parish. The studies offered during Lent and Advent inspired us. Rev. Suzanne used liturgy and prayer from varied sources in the Anglican community that made us pay attention during the Sunday services. She invited guest priests to celebrate Sunday services. She worked and participated in our youth activities and program. She continues to instruct and guide our new youth leaders, Chris Moreno and Katie Turley. We thank them too for their hard work and commitment. It has been an honor and privilege to serve with Rev. Suzanne as her co-senior wardens. We thank all of you who supported us during this past year with positive comments and prayers.

Let us put aside the security of the way things have been, in order to seek that to which we are being called, trusting that the Spirit will provide all that we need. Let us encourage and support each other in our spontaneous and wholehearted response to Jesus’ call and in doing so, build up this body of Christ.

Elaine Turnbull & Ann Packard, Senior Wardens



Parochial Statistics

Sunday Eucharists	114
Weekday Eucharists	88
Private Eucharists	37
Total Eucharistic Celebrations	239
Other Services or Offices	65
Baptisms	12
Burials	9
Confirmations	13
Marriages	1
Receptions	7

Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) 147 (*up an average of 5 people per Sunday from the previous year*)

Easter Attendance (4 services) 326 (*up by 32 from the previous year*)

Christmas Attendance (4 services) 349 (*up by 39 from the previous year*)

WORSHIP

Altar Guild



The Altar Guild members are the invisible contributors to St. David's worship services. We prepare the altar for the Eucharist and clean up afterwards. We assist the clergy as needed. We have members scheduled for Sunday services, the Wednesday healing service and various special services that may occur. Some members participate in a monthly Saturday morning cleaning to polish silver, etc. Membership in the Altar Guild is open to men and women of any age. No experience is needed. New members will work with a seasoned member for on the job training. If you are interested in this ministry or would like more information, please contact the rector or Bill Blakeslee.

Many thanks to our members who faithfully served in 2011: Gary Baty, Bill Blakeslee, Louise Buck, Margaret Fox, Susan Howell, Violet Johnston, Phil Loveless, Jane Morris, Jan Ramsey, Linda Ten Eyck, Betty Waldman, Frances Warren and Jamie Wood. We are so glad to have Susan as a new addition to the Wednesday service and were sad to lose Margaret and Betty from Sunday services. Thanks so much to Bill for agreeing to be the new Altar Guild director.

Leslie Coban, St. David's Altar Guild

Chalice Bearers, Lectors, & Acolytes

Thank you to all who have graciously and kindly contributed to our worship this past year as Acolytes, Chalice Bearers, and Lectors: Bill Blakeslee, Phyllis Callahan, Margaret Fox, Terry Garate, Phil Loveless, Debby Park, Alana Sedgwick, Bob Shaw, Ronnie Whitehorse, Angelina Aleman, Rich Backman, Jim Boydston, Louise Buck, Shirley Culver, Jan Daugherty, Catherine Eckmann, Jim England, Melinda and Austin Farmer, Kathleen Hoot, Lalo Illades, Jean Kockinos, Chris Moreno, Lynn Nicholson, Loral, David, and Eric Priest, Renee Reynolds, Jon and Katie Turley, Jeff Watkins, and Mercedes Webber.

We were sorry to say goodbye, temporarily we hope, to several parishioners who either left to attend college or had changes in life circumstances. Thank you to those of you have stepped forward to serve St. David's in this important ministry. I would like to extend an open invitation to all in the parish to join us. Acolytes and Chalice Bearers are needed at both services. The 10:30 service is especially in need of your help. Acolytes can serve from age 8 up and Chalice Bearers from age 16. Lectors can be any age. Expert training is available. The goal is to try to schedule each individual no more than once a month and to have enough substitutes to call upon when life gets in the way. Please search your hearts and contact me (619 275-2745) or Reverend Suzanne if you have questions or are interested in serving.

Alana Sedgwick, Liturgical Scheduler

Communion Bread Ministry

It has been my privilege and delight to provide the communion bread for the services. This year I welcomed Chris Moreno onboard to help if I am out of town.

If you are interested in learning this very fulfilling ministry, please let me know.

Your sister in Christ, Kathleen Hoot

Flower Guild

The flower guild has the responsibility of arranging flowers for church services and any other St. David's function where flowers may be required. They provide the flowers for the Newcomers as well. The Flower Guild is also responsible for arranging the Christmas and Easter flowers. The Flower Guild consists of the following people: Louise Buck, Anne Kellett, Anne Kruse and Jamie Wood. Violet Johnston has had to take a leave of absence from arranging and will be missed by all. Her expert guidance and stunning arrangements have been a great inspiration for many years at St David's.



There is a flower sign up chart for memorials and thanksgivings in the Mission Center. The suggested donation is \$35. Should you care to provide flowers for a service, please sign up on the chart for the Sunday you want. Make your check out to St. David's but notate "flowers" along with the date you selected on your check. Place your check in the envelope provided marked "flowers" and either drop it in the collection plate or turn it into the office.

The Flower Guild is always looking for new faces. If you are someone who enjoys working with flowers, please contact Anne Kruse or the St. David's Office. We will provide training. Also, if you are interested in helping with arranging the Christmas or Easter flowers, please let a member of the flower guild know as we can always use some extra help at that time.

Anne Kruse

FLOWER/ALTAR GUILD TREASURER'S REPORT

Altar Guild Treasurer's Report – 2011

Beginning Balance 2011	296.12
Receipts:	
Flowers	634.00
	375.00
	259.00
Disbursements:	(857.12)
Flowers	574.16
Newcomer Flowers	67.25
Altar Wine	19.37
Altar & Flower Supplies	146.74
Vestment Cleaning	49.60
Ending Balance 2011	\$73.00

The above figures reflect a partial year as the Altar Guild account is no longer being used as the income and expenses are now incorporated into and through the church bookkeeper.

Respectfully submitted, Jamie Wood, Altar Guild Treasurer

LABYRINTH MINISTRY



During 2011 there have been a number of labyrinth walks for the parish and others in our community. Some of these walks included candlelight, music, or a particular theme with special prayers. In addition to these organized labyrinth walks, many people (from St. David's and elsewhere) walked the labyrinth on their own, individually or in groups. In March there was a special walk with prayers for the victims of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. At the Lenten "Spa for the Soul" event and on Good Friday there were labyrinth walks based on the Scriptural Stations of the Cross. There were labyrinth walks for the Sunday School children in May and September and a special labyrinth program for members of the Gray Brigade. In the summer there was a "Labyrinth Prayer Walk for Connection and Coming Together" and in September there was a labyrinth walk for the International Day of Peace. The Daughters of the King walked the labyrinth at their Diocesan Quiet Day in November. The labyrinth was also offered as an option at an Advent Quiet Day and the Blue Christmas service. On New Year's Eve our 6th annual candlelight labyrinth walk, Eucharist, and reception took place. This was a very special event which focused on letting go of concerns from 2011 and expressing hopes and prayers for 2012.

A bench next to the labyrinth provides a special place for people to sit and meditate before their walk or to reflect quietly after their walk as they listen to God's guidance. In the library there are books on the labyrinth and an excellent DVD called "Rediscovering the Labyrinth" so people can learn about the history, philosophy and many ways the labyrinth can be used. Anyone who is interested in supporting this outreach ministry is invited to join a Labyrinth Ministry Committee. Help is needed in planning, publicizing, facilitating, and hosting future labyrinth events, including anyone willing to serve as a retreat leader for retreats that include a labyrinth walk. There's much more that could be done with this unique spiritual tool if we had the volunteers and resources to help the Labyrinth Ministry grow.

Inviting people to walk the labyrinth is one of many ways that we welcome people to St. David's. We've listed our labyrinth on a "Labyrinth Locator" on the Internet. This prompts some people to come to St. David's to walk the labyrinth. Others hear about it through e-mails, flyers, other publicity or word of mouth. The labyrinth often appeals to people who are on a spiritual quest but not necessarily inclined to attend a church service. Sometimes it's a first step before they decide to come to church. We have received some very positive comments from people outside our parish who have been drawn to the labyrinth. When people come to the labyrinth they are told they're free to walk it any time. At our scheduled events we have also provided refreshments as a way to extend hospitality to anyone who comes. The Labyrinth Ministry provides an opportunity to reach out to the broader community. In other churches the labyrinth has served as a very effective means for evangelism and guiding seekers on their spiritual quest. This is our hope for the labyrinth at St. David's as well.

Blessings, Janet Shaw

MUSIC

St. David's Music Ministry



As I begin my 9th year as your Organist and Director of Music I am mindful of all the people who help to make our Music Program what it is. We are especially grateful to our St. David's Choir for the many hours of rehearsals - week after week - Sunday after Sunday. Our roster of loyal singers include Jim Boydston, Ann Carter, Rob Constantine, Shirley Culver, Gail Decker, Catherine Eckmann, Jim England, Margaret Fox, Terry Garate, Chris Moreno, Lynn Nicholson, Debby Park, Phyllis Pfizenmeier, Ronnie Rich, Linda Ten Eyck, Lynn Ten Eyck, Kendra Thomas, Jeff Watkins and Jamie Wood.

Special thanks to our Guitar Group headed by Ann Packard. The members of this group serving at the 10:30 service include Babs Stewart, Hank Hiskes, Bill Myers, Jon Turley and Gary Baty. A vital member of this team of musicians is Rick Kruse, our terrific percussionist and resident timpanist.

Enhancing our worship services this past year with special vocal or instrumental solos were Debby Park, our wonderful sub-organist, Julia Evans, Terry Garate, Leilani Shaffer and Jeff Watkins.

Kendra Thomas and Jim Boydston are to be commended for their excellent work as Cantors at the 10:30 service and both for their solo work throughout the year. Thank you, Kendra for your exemplary work with our Children's Music Program each week. And I am especially grateful for the assistance of Jim Boydston who serves not only as tenor section leader but as assistant choir conductor, weekly recording engineer, piano tuner and other services that directly impact our Music Ministry. Thank you, Jim!

This past year the Music Ministry at St. David's added the beautiful Service of Evensong. If you haven't experienced this service we invite you to the next Evensong on May 6 at 5:00 p.m. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

Ken Fox, Organist and Music Director

Ushers



St. David's continues to be blessed with many dedicated ushers who graciously greet members coming to our sanctuary doors each Sunday morning. Ushers also strive to make visitors feel not only welcomed, but as if they were already members of this community. We don't just hand you a bulletin, we give you a smile and maybe even a hug. In addition to being official greeters, the ushers give newcomers a flower and present the elements (Bread and Wine) for consecration. We collect your offering and guide you to receive Communion. Serving at St. David's in this way is a joy and an honor.

Ushers who served during 2011 were: Doug Fairfax, Si and Peggy Howe, Maureen Lewis, Jan Ramsey, Ronnie Whitehorse, Michael and Gini Holcomb, Dick and Kathleen Hoot, Sue Lawrence, Melinda Murdock, Austin Farmer, Spencer Farmer, Roseann and Andy Myers, Ruth Ann, Warren, Lane, Olivia and Emily Woolery, Craig and Kathy Winder, Terri Rochambeau, Jeff Edmonds, Lalo Illades and Monique McThompson. Please come and join this fun service that gives back way more than it requires. No experience necessary!

Melinda Murdock

CHRISTIAN FORMATION: CHILDREN & YOUTH

Children's Ministry

We are in our fourth year of the program begun in 2008 – *Godly Play* for the pre-K/K to 2nd grade children and *All Things New* for the 3rd to 5th grade children. They are both sacred storytelling programs. Each week the children hear the sacred stories of the Bible. *Godly Play* is a Montessori-based program in which story sets of figurines are used to tell the stories. In the *All Things New* program the sacred stories of the Old and New Testaments are told and the oral tradition of our nomadic, desert-dwelling ancestors is discussed – hence the “desert tent” that can be seen in the end room of the Education Center most Sunday mornings. This year we moved from the Library to sharing the middle school room in the Education Center and are in the process of making adjustments to maximize the effectiveness of the space to meet the needs of our program. Central to both programs is the creation of “sacred space” belonging to the children where “we talk a little softer, walk more slowly, have all the time we need to listen to each other and to God, and are safe.” The programs are designed to give our children the language to express their experiences as they grow spiritually. We continue to develop the programs as we add a few lessons to the *Godly Play* curriculum while keeping the core lessons and continue with the second year of the *All Things New* program. *All Things New* is a two year cycle; however, there is so much material in each season (fall, winter, and spring) that we are considering expanding it to a three year program. This would allow us to add depth to the learning process. The *All Things New* class is a discussion group, so the discussion varies greatly depending upon who the children are, the ages and maturity levels, and what direction they want to go with the material presented. We now have a tradition of the “Bridging Ceremony” at the end of the year. Last June four of our children “bridged” (graduated) from *Godly Play* into *All Things New*, and one “bridged” from *All Things New* into the Youth Group. Our next annual Bridging Ceremony will be Sunday, June 10, 2012, during the Forum time, and we would like to invite all of our parish family to join the celebration. What is exciting is our children still want to come to Sunday school. Currently, we have 8 registered children in the *Godly Play* class with four attending regularly. We have 10 registered and nine regularly attending children in the *All Things New* class.

The Children's Ministry at St. David's has several facets – Sunday School classes, outreach, special events, and Summer Faith Adventure (St. David's version of a Vacation Bible School). In 2011, our outreach program was the “Kid's Alternative Gift Market.” We also collected Mite Boxes during Lent. Our special events included Palm Sunday “donkey” (a small pony) rides, Pentecost Intergenerational forum, and pageants for Epiphany, All Saints, and Christmas Eve. Christmas Eve saw the events of that special night through the eyes of the innkeeper and his wife in a sacred play ably directed by Kendra Thomas and Jillian Joshi. The children are taught not only are they ministered to by their Church family, but they also have a ministry to our Church family and the wider community. Their ministry includes such things as our outreach programs, teaching through our pageants, and how we treat those around us. Our Summer Faith Adventure theme this year was based on the movie “Up.” We had a positive response from all who attended – about 18 children. The Youth were our “Adventure Guides.” Katie Turley and Chris Moreno were our main presenters and Alex and Keith Krikorian handled the crafts part. Our seminarian, Laurel Mathewson, Elaine Turnbull and “the grandmothers” provided much needed support.

The Children's Ministry foundation is our teachers – they are superb! I say that every year and I am saying it again! This year I must add a special, huge “Thanks” to everyone as they stepped in with extra effort on their part and gave me two months' vacation!! The team approach continues to work well. We have two designated teachers for each class, the storyteller and the greeter, and assisting teachers who step in when needed. This year we added a new position, the outside greeter, who facilitates morning drop-off. This allows us to more fully implement our emphasis on safety procedures with the adult-to-adult child transfer. Jean Payne has been filling that position in a very competent fashion. We begin each Sunday with music and our Music Minister Kendra Thomas. This is the time for joyous and vocal expression before the more quiet time of class. Gillian Joshi is both the Assistant Director and an assisting teacher when needed. Our two storytellers are Kyle Edwards and Phil Loveless; our greeters are Francis Warren, Monique McThompson and Shawna Tuttle. We are in need of new assisting teachers as our team has shrunk due to changes in people's lives. Austin Farmer at the beginning of the year, then Grayson Edwards were our Children's Ministry Sexton and saw to the set-up of the classrooms every Sunday. We give thanks for the continued support of the Rev. Suzanne, the Vestry, and all of our parish family who have donated time, materials, and money to make all of this possible. Thank you!

We who are involved with this ministry are very blessed to work with and help develop the children at St. David's. Please contact me if you are interested in joining this joyous ministry. The children are God's gift of new life and our future. With God's help, we will nurture the development of this wonderful gift.

Mary McCormick-Whitehouse, Children's Ministry Director

Junior Daughters of The King

The Jr. DOK members had a very active year doing service projects, prayer and Bible study, as well as many activities just for fun. Through these activities they found many ways to share Christ's love with others in the community as they continued to grow spiritually and deepen their friendships with one another. We were very happy to welcome four new girls who have been participating in our activities and undergoing a 4 month study program to become new Jr. DOK members. They learn about prayer, the Holy Spirit, what it means to be a Christian and the importance of serving others. The new girls will officially join in February 2012. We also had one girl, Alicia, graduate from high school and we had a special ceremony for her in thanksgiving for all she had contributed to our chapter. We welcome all of our graduates back on school vacations but we miss them when they are gone. We appreciate the leadership they provided and the inspiration they were to the younger girls. In the winter the girls cooked and served a meal for the Interfaith Shelter guests and played games with them. In the spring some girls joined in the NAMI fundraising walk and several helped with the Preschool Spring Festival. They prepared Valentine's cards and Easter baskets for the children at Julian's Anchorage. They made floral arrangements and cards for a number of parishioners who had been ill and unable to come to church. In June they had their most successful Dog Wash, raising \$300. Then they used the proceeds from the Dog Wash to purchase and fill backpacks with school supplies for underprivileged kids. In July they had their annual beach party at La Jolla Shores and in August they enjoyed their 5th annual kayaking event at Mission Bay. In the spring and in the fall they baked dozens of cookies for the Kairos prison ministry. In November they made lovely centerpieces for the St. David's Thanksgiving Dinner and they made more than 100 personalized cards for the guests. At their Christmas party they baked and decorated cookies and made cards for St. David's staff and volunteers to thank them for their service.

It was another year filled with projects that benefited many people at St. David's and in our community. Each time they do a service project the girls reflect on and pray for those who will be the recipients of their service. They are learning the joy of serving others as they grow in their faith. They are to be commended for their hard work and dedication. It is inspiring to see young people who are willing to devote so much time and loving service to others.

Jr. Daughters of the King is open to girls between 7 and 22. Junior chapters provide opportunities for girls to experience the joy of belonging to a fellowship in which love of God, others and self is the framework for their meetings and ministries to others. If anyone is interested in joining they should contact me or the church for membership information. Girls must be baptized Christians but they do not have to belong to the Episcopal Church to be members. Visitors are also welcome to join us at our meetings and activities.

Blessings, Janet Shaw

Youth Formation

2011 has been a pivotal year for St. David's Youth & Young Adult Ministries. The year started out with the Confirm not Conform curriculum. This wonderful program is designed to introduce and reinforce our rich Anglican history and tradition in a relevant way. It encourages teens and young adults to explore and test their faith on their own terms. This program has proven to be an invaluable resource to us and has yielded great results. Looking forward, we will be reintroducing this curriculum later in the year in preparation for the Bishop's visit in 2013.

In addition to CnC, the year included many opportunities to grow closer to God and each other through fellowship and recreation. These included the much anticipated snow trip as well as trips to Six Flags theme park, outings to Julian and other local attractions. These trips are not only a lot of fun but are some of the most memorable times for our young Christians. It gives them a chance to practice outside the classroom that which they learned in it, through example and teachable moments. These outings and events are an integral part of this ministry and is something we look forward to continuing in the future.

In the coming year, we will be focusing on Christian Formation. We feel this is a critical time in the lives of our youth. It's vital that they be given the opportunity to build a strong core of beliefs on which they can rely when faced with life's challenges. This will be achieved through a relevant and adaptable curriculum along with the continued support and guidance of parents and mentors.

We are very thankful for everyone's support and encouragement in our ministry, and look forward to everything that this coming year has in store for St. David's Youth!

Faithfully Yours,

Chris Moreno & Katie Turley

Co-Youth Directors Youth & Young Adult Ministries

CHRISTIAN FORMATION: ADULT

Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning 9:00 a.m. Bible Study (*Church Library*)

The Wednesday morning bible study utilized a variety of curriculum resources as participants gathered to grow in Christ through both word and fellowship.

Studies included *Synthesis CE*, a lectionary based study guide, and a Kerygma study on the Gospel of Mark. The *Synthesis CE* study was more discussion based, whereas the Kerygma series was more didactic. Completing a study of the entire book of Mark provided participants with a solid background for Year B (2012) Lectionary readings.

Respectfully submitted, The Rev. Suzanne E. Watson

Wednesday Evening Bible Study (*Offsite*)

The Deerpark Drive Bible Study meets on most Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm for Bible Study. Our location in the Fall was at Jim and Margaret's house instead of Deerpark because of Jim's illness, but we still call ourselves the Deerpark Dr. Bible Study for historical purposes. We will be playing it by ear where we meet coming this year. All are welcome. Please contact Louise Buck, (619-275-2845) Jan Daugherty (619-667-4626) or Bob Shaw (619-980-8210) for details as to materials and location.

Jan Daugherty and Louise Buck

Cursillo Communities

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

DeColores

For the year 2011, we started with Cursillo Sunday, held on January 16, with Steve Turnbull giving the sermon. For this year, January 15, 2012, Suzanne gave a sermon on Cursillo. Mercedes Webber gave a short talk about her Cursillo experience. St. David's did not have anybody attending Cursillo for the first time in 2011.

Lynn Nicholson was the rectora for Cursillo #130 in October. A large number of experienced Cursillistas from St. David's served with Lynn on her special weekend.

On Saturday, Feb. 19, 2011, an Ecumenical Ultreya, where the Catholics, Episcopalians, and Methodists all gather around was held at San Diego Mission De Alcala in the California Room. None is scheduled for this year so far.

You would have noticed our rainbow-colored lanyard holding our name tags, something we call a "Holy Baloney". ☺

Since most of our parishioners attend the 10:30 AM service, this also is a good opportunity for the parishioners to learn what Cursillo is, and hopefully to generate a lot of interest in it.

A coed Cursillo (#131) is scheduled for April 26 – April 29, 2012 at Camp Stevens in Julian. Team, candidate, and sponsor applications are available if you are so moved to attend.

If you would like to know more about the Cursillo Movement, there are brochures available from me. You can ask me for one, or you can email me at wbbake92117@aol.com, and I can get one in the mail to you.

When you read the brochure, take a moment and pray about it. Then let me know if you would like to be a part of the Cursillo Movement.

"Here am I Lord, send me!"

Ultreya (Go Forward),

William Blakeslee, Parish Representative for Cursillo

Forum

We began our spring forums with an appreciation of our departed parishioners whose ashes rest in our Memorial Garden. We remembered their stories, their foibles, their contributions to the fabric of our lives in this place.

Facebook 101 introduced our older members to the social network on the web as a major means of communication among our youth, and the world at large.

Coffee and Conversation, at the first of the month, kept us current on a variety of issues: Rick Kruse on the statistical picture of our surrounding neighborhood, and David Priest on the state of our facilities.

We had speakers come to us on social issues: Pastor Curtis of God's Extended Hand, who helps feed the poor in downtown San Diego. Barbara Chavez of Military Outreach Ministries spoke of their work helping military families cope with unexpected needs. Theologian Florence Gillman, long a favorite speaker here, spoke on "The Matriarchs of Genesis", and later in the year "Jesus as Foretold by the Prophet Isaiah". David Moseley spoke on "Fathers of the Bible". Ken Lowe, a docent at the Timken Museum, was with us three times this year: twice with beautiful slides of paintings depicting the last week of the life of Christ, then "Women of the New Testament", and unexpectedly, donning yet another hat, speaking on hospice care, another of his volunteer jobs.

We heard Debby Park present on Non-Violent Peace Force, Jan Daugherty and Shirley Culver on Stewardship, Carole Denton updated us on CCSA, and the Englands brought us the topic "Living a full life with mental illness". Roseann Myers gave us a report card on how the needs of San Diego's children are being met, or not.

Jean Kockinos, Coordinator

Library

Our library continues to be a viable resource for our parish community, whether for entertainment to be found in the fiction section, or research and inspiration in our non-fiction section with such new books as Robert Altar's "The Wisdom Books: Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes", or the inspiring "Celtic Daily Prayer."

A deeply felt thank you to those who have donated to our collection this year: Jane Illades, William Blakeslee, Molly Crispen, Lynn Nicholson, Marge Weston, and Debby Park.

The last few books from the estate of the Rev. Ned Kellogg have been added.

Without a book budget we continue to depend on gifts and donations. This coming year should see more time given to the physical care of our collection.

Jean Kockinos, Librarian

FELLOWSHIP



Coffee-Makers & Kitchen Clean-Up

St. David's continues to provide this ministry as a vital part serving our Parishioners and welcoming visitors.

Each year this ministry is covered by people who volunteer to serve as coffee makers or clean-up crew at the both services. Thank you to the members who have served every Sunday this past year on the monthly clean-up crew.

- First Sunday: Debby Park and John Young- *who serves EVERY Sunday*
- Second Sunday: Lynn Nicholson and Jean Payne
- Third Sunday: Sue Lawrence and Loral Priest
- Fourth Sunday: Harry and Ann Packard
- Fifth Sunday: Fred Conway and Polly Carmona
- When needed: Jon Turley has served as substitute

Thank you to the members who have served every Sunday this past year as coffee makers.

- First Sunday: Don Searles
- Second and Third Sunday: Edna O'Grady
- Fourth Sunday: Alana Sedgwick
- Fifth Sunday: Craig and Kathy Winder
- When needed: Debby Park has served as substitute

Ann Packard and Debby Park

Flying Solos

The Flying Solos are a support group for widows and widowers. At this time there are 10 of us who meet on the 4th Thursday of each month. We have lunch together at different restaurants. We encourage anyone who would like to join us.

Maureen Lewis

Hospitality Activities

Hospitality Ministry Annual Report 2011

"When we welcome others, we honor God"



The Hospitality Ministry reaches out to welcome all who come to St. David's. We provided food, decorations, set-up, and clean-up for receptions, lunches, dinners, and special events held on site. We hosted several Diocesan events during the year. In our parish, events included the Annual Meeting Breakfast, the Reflection Soup Supper at Lent, and the Chocolate and Wine reception after the Candlelight service, luncheons, and organization for potluck meals for the cleaning & greening of the church and during the year. We hosted ten baptism receptions this year. Memorial receptions are one of our most important functions. At a time when families are dealing with grief and added guest, we provide the opportunity for them to celebrate their loved one's life without the added stress. We had ten memorial receptions this year. We support other groups at St. David's as requested, such as the choir, Youth and Sunday school. The Hospitality Ministry pays for kitchen and coffee supplies and the baptism cakes with donations and by recycling CRV plastic, aluminum, and glass containers, collected on site and donated by parish members. Harry Packard and Skip Sedgwick have been dedicated to sorting and turning the recyclables in for cash. Recycling cash was \$436. It almost covered the cost of coffee and supplies. Donations in thanksgiving for our ministry helped to meet the expenses. We maintain the kitchens and equipment in the Mission Center and Education Center. Volunteer efforts and Kairos Outside helped with the extra cleaning in MC kitchen.

Please feel welcome to join this ministry. Thank you to the dedicated members of the hospitality ministry this past year, Gwen Hunter, Gary & Dotty Baty, Phyllis Callahan, Virginia Koslowski, Kathleen and Dick Hoot, Anne Kruse, Monique McThompson, Jane Morris, Lalo Illades, Margaret England, Leslie Cohan, Gail Decker, Lynn Nicholson, Jean Payne, Marge Weston, Debby Park, Harry & Ann Packard, Skip & Lana Sedgwick, Jon Turley and Steve Turnbull.

Thank you to all who stepped up to lend a helping hand at various functions throughout the year and most recently new members, Maria and Davina Potter, for your help with the candlelight reception.

Elaine Turnbull - Hospitality Coordinator

Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship (Men's Group) meets monthly during the year, always on the third Saturday of the month in the Mission Center at 8 am – 10 am. We ask that attendees bring a breakfast type food to share, as they are able. We have two annual service projects that we provide as our mission: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and the Rummage Sale Pancake Breakfast in June. We also provide other assistance as the Church may request.

Our meetings are unstructured and offer an opportunity to get better acquainted with the men of St. David's. Please e-mail me and I will add your name to the monthly e-mail meeting notice. Craig Winder (cawin46@hotmail.com)

St. David's Men's Group

Senior Center

Our community Senior Center is called *The Gray Brigade* and offers a place for friendship, laughter and learning on Friday mornings from September to mid-June for 12-24 senior friends each week. This past year our activities included Game Days, speakers, sing-alongs and other music events, poetry readings, travel pictures, visits from our preschoolers and some delicious luncheons. Game Day has some dedicated Scrabble players, Bingo, a noisy group for Uno and occasionally some Rummikub activity. Sometimes we worked in some chair exercise in between the games! We had speakers (thanks to Vera Mizell) about Disaster Preparedness, scams and an overview/update on Medicare. Janet Shaw gave a Labyrinth Talk and Walk. Ted and K-Ellen Cleary gave an excellent overview of their time as missionaries in Rwanda. Col. Jerry McAuliffe, USAF retired shared his pictures of walking the WWII beaches of Normandy (British and Canadian sites). Jeff Watkins described his WWII fighter bomber experiences and read some beautiful poetry. Terry Garate shared her pictures of Mardi Gras Carnival in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and then her stay at a treehouse hostel in the rain forest there. **Many thanks to all our presenters!**

Twice the preschoolers joined us for an inter-generational activity of a story, songs with rhythm instruments (led by Debby) and a snack prepared by our seniors. We had sing-alongs of oldies but goodies with Terry Garate, peace songs and Christmas carols with Debby. We were entertained in February and November by the Script-in-Hand Players, a group of seniors who present hilarious skits about seniors and aging. They kept us laughing for an hour! Elaine Turnbull took time away from being grandmother to her three infant grandchildren to prepare and share with us a fantastic St. Patrick's Day meal. At our last meeting in June, Emma's Gutbucket Band entertained us with their terrific Bluegrass music, and we prepared a chicken meal to share with them (with the help of Kentucky Fried Chicken take-out!). This year we had our Christmas luncheon in the Mission Center with holiday decorations and potluck dishes to complement our ham and turkey. We also prepared two Family Christmas baskets for needy CCSA clients.

Debby Park coordinates our activities, but the Center runs thanks to the help of Jon Turley (table and chair set-up), Marge Weston, Susan Howell, Agnes Conti and others who help with coffee, food, and clean-up. Paul Gorman has taken over our Gray Brigade newsletter and does a wonderful job of providing us with jokes, cartoons, interesting facts and a delightful new format. **Thanks to all our helpers and all who come to join us!** We welcome anyone age 50+ and encourage you to bring a friend.

Debby Park

Wednesday Gatherings

St. David's hosted six Wednesday Gatherings in 2011. The gatherings were born out of a desire to get to know our fellow parishioners better in a totally social way. Initially considered a summer event, the gatherings have been so popular that we decided to continue them throughout the year. On the last Wednesday of the month, from 4-6pm, we gather at a local bar or restaurant for adult or other beverages and appetizers.

Our first gathering was on June 29 at the Offshore Tavern & Grill on Morena Blvd. Thirteen of us had a blast enjoying some mid-week downtime with each other. The second gathering, on July 27, was at the Guadalajara Grill in Old Town. Only six of us made that trip so we decided to keep the venues closer to home, in Clairemont and Bay Park. On August 31, we met at the High Dive Bar and Grill on Morena Blvd. The 13 of us there decided we didn't want it to end!

The Wednesday Gatherings continued through November. Our numbers have grown to 20 on any given Wednesday. So mark your calendar for the last Wednesday of each month from 4-6pm and bring a friend! This is a fun, casual way to introduce others to the wonderful people at St. David's.

Parishioners who have enjoyed the Wednesday Gatherings include: Melinda Murdock, Gini & Michael Holcomb, Rev. Suzanne Watson, Mary McCormick-Whitehouse, Louise Buck, Gary and Dotty Baty, Leslie Cohan, Patti Crane, Jack Coombes, Kate Shea, Mikee Nelson, Gail Decker, Dave Guimont, Si & Peggy Howe, Sue Lawrence, Maureen Lewis, Dave Nicholson, Lynn Nicholson, Debby Park, David Priest, Jan Ramsey, Bob & Janet Shaw, Elaine Taillac, Jon Turley, Bill Wedge, Craig and Kathy Winder and Ruth Ann Woolery.

Melinda Murdock

Women's Fellowship

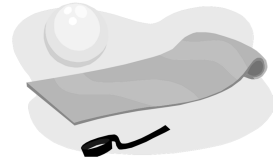
The Women's Fellowship met in people's homes on a nearly monthly basis throughout 2011. We also had our Women's Secret Valentine's gift exchange. We generally meet at 6:30 pm to eat and catch up on each other's news, usually on the fourth Friday of the month, but that changes depending on the calendar. Check The Gospel for the person hosting the gathering for each month's details.

Louise Buck, The Keeper of the Calendar



YOGA

Fall, 2011 saw the start of a weekly Yoga class offered Thursdays at 12 noon at St. David's. It draws participants from both within the St. David's community and beyond, and is designed to fit each person's individual need, from trained athletes to "chair yoga" for those unable to sit on the floor or those recovering from recent surgeries.



Nan Comstock teaches this weekly class. Nan became a certified fitness instructor in 1981 instructing a variety of fitness classes, studying body mechanics and nutrition. It was not until 10 years later that with reoccurring symptoms of Lupus (SLE) that she had to give up a stressful career and turned her attention to yoga. The healing and therapeutic benefits of yoga inspires her to share Yoga with others. She is also a member of St. James La Jolla.

Nan strives to go beyond just teaching a good class, but to create an uplifting and inspiring experience.

*"May today there be peace within
May you trust your higher power that you are exactly where you were meant to be
May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith
May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the Love that has been given to you
May you be content knowing that you are a child of God
Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul
the freedom to Sing, Dance, Praise and Love
It is there for each and every one of you"*

—Mother Theresa

Submitted by the Rev. Suzanne Watson

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Daughters of The King

The Daughters of the King is an order for women who are communicants of the Episcopal Church and have taken a vow for a life-long commitment of prayer, service, and evangelism dedicated to the spread of Christ's Kingdom.

This year has been one of quiet reflection, and prayerful service. The Daughters held a service of rededication in January, vowing to pray daily for family, friends, and the world. Our chapter hosted St. David's Quiet Day: Spa for the Soul...A Time to Relax and Recharge, on April 2nd. It was a time for peace and tranquility while walking the labyrinth or making a personal cross. Our Spring Assembly was held at St. Dunstan's in May. On July 11, we had a retreat at Janet Shaw's, led by our chaplain, Margaret England, on the Celtic Women and the foundation of the Church. Our Fall Assembly was held at Trinity, Escondido in October; a time to be in community and communion with other daughters throughout the diocese.

For part of the year, we acted as an intercessory prayer group for the prayers of the people of our church. We continue to pray daily from a confidential list of family, friends, and parishioners. We are also responsible for the baptismal guild, in which each person who is baptized at St. David's receives a card on the anniversary of his baptism, and for whom prayers are offered, for three years following his baptism. We support Janet Shaw and the Junior Daughters of the King, as well as the prayer square ministry.

We have studied Open the Door: A Journey to the True Self by Joyce Rupp; and The Story of Ruth: Twelve Moments in Every Woman's Life by Joan Chittister.

We celebrated the life and the greater glory of Kathy Bafetti and Gwen Hunter.

Our gatherings are the first Monday of the month in the Education Center at 5:45 PM. We share a meal, (always better when cooked by someone else), friendship, prayer, book learning, and spiritual growth. We would love to have all women of the parish join us.

For His Sake, Leslie Cohan & Gail Decker

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

This year we have had new people join the Lay Eucharistic Visitors. With the renewed interest in this ministry we have had no one left out in sharing of the Eucharistic. So this is our mission, if you would like to join us in this ministry let Rev. Suzanne know.

The Episcopal Church affirms the place of the Holy Eucharist as "the principal" act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day and other major feasts" and offers this worship and our corporate prayers as the foundation to all that the community of Christians believes and practices as an act of the whole community of faith. The Eucharist is a summons to all baptized persons to share in the table of the lord.

Peace, Phil Loveless

Meals To Go

Thanks to the generosity and love of the people of St David's, we provided a TON of meals to fellow parishioners in 2011. It really has been impressive! Illness and/or recuperating from surgery can be a time of isolation and you have fed your sisters and brothers not only with food but with fellowship, serving as a bridge to the larger parish community.

We provided meals to Kathy Bafetti after she was diagnosed with cancer. (I don't seem to have any statistics from that early on.)

We fed Bill and Carol Mahedy three times a week from January through mid-July while Bill was undergoing chemotherapy.

Margaret England had knee surgery and when she came home we provided meals twice a week from March through May.

We took meals to Cathy Girolamo three times a week in June and July, after her back surgery.

You have provided meals three times a week to Jim and Margaret England beginning in December when he came home from surgery for lung cancer, and are set to continue that in 2012 as he begins chemotherapy.

And all this without overburdening any one person.

And this does not count the extra help that you have provided - in cards sent, shopping and providing rides, in doing laundry, going to the doctor and visiting in the hospital, bringing Communion and a sense of Christ's care and presence into lives and homes.

Your generosity and care for one another has always been one of the extraordinary things about St David's throughout the years. I am proud to be a part of a community that so embodies Christ's love.

Louise Buck

Order of Saint Luke (OSL)

Healing Prayer Ministry

In July of 2011 I took over as the liaison and scheduler for this vital ministry of healing prayers at the services. We are offering prayers twice a month at both the 8am and 10:30am services as well as other services such as quiet days or funerals by request of Suzanne.

We have a great team of prayer warriors. My thanks go out to Bob and Janet Shaw, Margaret Fox, Ronnie Whitehorse, Gary and Dottie Baty, Jeff Watkins, Mercedes Webber, Jon Turley, Babs Stewart and myself. Ruth Woolery is now in training to join our team later this year. If you are interested in joining this ministry please contact me or any member of our team.

Your sister in Christ, Kathleen Hoot



Prayer Quilt Squares

This has been a very difficult year for our ministry. We lost three of our dear faithful members, who are now with our Lord. They are Kathy Bafetti, our co-founder, Gwen Hunter and Leanore Guimont.

This year we made squares for our graduating seniors, preschool graduation and Sunday school graduation. We also made squares for Kairos Outside and our parish. We also donated a quilt to the Pre School to raffle off at their spaghetti dinner.

We have started making different squares using Psalms that were purchased from PA. We are looking for someone who does calligraphy to write some Psalms that we can use while making our squares. We also started making special small squares for Rev. Suzanne and the LEV's to use while visiting the sick.

Thanks to Kathy who willed us all of her cloth. We are bursting at the seams with beautiful material to make our squares. Now the one thing that we need is new members for our ministry. We are down to three or four members. Please consider joining us this year. We meet the first Tuesday and the third Saturday of each month in the Education Center at 9:00 a.m. Come join us

In Christ Service, Dotty Baty and Lynn Nicholson

Wheels To Go

This ministry involves a group of people who are willing to pick up parishioners and give them a ride to church or church functions. Just because you volunteer, it does not mean that you will have to do it all of the time. Rides will be organized by the driver's proximity to the person needing a ride. If you can help with this important ministry, please call Jane or Lalo Illades at 619-237-9288 or email them at lillades@cox.net.

MINISTRIES OF COMPASSION & JUSTICE

Outreach Commission & Ministries

Ministries of Compassion and Justice

Throughout the entire Bible, both the Old and New Testaments, we are called upon to show compassion for those suffering poverty, illness, disability, loss, and misfortune. We are also called both directly and as a corollary to compassion, to seek justice in our daily lives and in our society. The real key here is that God cares deeply for every soul that ever lived or ever will live, and he expects us to do the same. Compassion means taking some time to listen and talk, giving a helping hand, and recognizing one another as children of God. That is pretty straightforward, even when it is not easy. Seeking justice is harder, because there are a lot of different opinions on just what constitutes justice, but in the end it comes down to individuals, and whether or not they have the scope to live, grow, and thrive. We cannot simply lump people together. As John Donne said, "No man is an island unto himself." When it is in our power, we must help.

St. David's as a community responds to this call both within our community and in the world beyond our boundaries. Debby Park, the Convener of the Outreach Commission, has prepared the following list.

- Food Pantry - Every Sunday after services baked goods, deli items, meats, dairy and produce from Albertson's Fresh Rescue program are available for free for needy parishioners and community members. Our volunteers collect the donations on Friday-Sunday mornings and set everything out before church. Leftovers go to God's Extended Hand mission downtown and CCSA (Community Christian Service Agency) in Clairemont.
- Dinners for Rachel's Women's Night Shelter - Three or four times a month, cooks from St. David's prepare and serve dinner to the 20-28 women in this downtown shelter. We also sell Tomorrow Project bean soups (a Rachel's cottage industry) after Sunday services.
- County Mental Health programs - On the third Sunday of the month, volunteers from St. David's lead an evening prayer service for the patients at the San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital. We include songs, a short homily and invite prayer offerings. Once a month St. David's hosts a support group for families with members who have mental illness, and the whole parish supports the annual NAMI (Voice of Mental Illness) Walk.
- Thanksgiving Day Dinner for seniors - For 27 years we have prepared a full turkey dinner for about 90 seniors citizens and others with no place to go.

- Community Christian Service Agency - St. David's was one of the founding churches for CCSA, our neighborhood emergency aid agency, which we support with a monthly monetary donation, donations of food and clothing, backpacks and supplies for their Back-to-School program and Christmas baskets for their Adopt-A-Family Christmas program. We also support their annual fundraising Hunger Walk.
- Alternative Gift Market - For two Sundays in Advent, we encourage parishioners to buy alternative Christmas gifts through Alternative Gift Market, Int'l.
- Interfaith Shelter Network - Every year St. David's is a host church for this rotational shelter program which provides overnight housing and meals for homeless families, couples and individuals.
- St. David's Preschool - Our preschool is an important part of our outreach to the neighborhood and our community. Besides providing space for the school, we support their annual fundraisers (Spaghetti Dinner and Spring Festival) and a joint (for both church and preschool) Rummage Sale and Pancake Breakfast.
- Nonviolent Peaceforce - St. David's is a Supporting Organization of Nonviolent Peaceforce because we provide a monthly meeting place for the local chapter and have hosted workshops in nonviolent conflict intervention.
- We also do in-gatherings of funds for Military Outreach Ministries, Episcopal Relief and Development, support the Episcopal Refugee Network, collect baby/toddler items for the Advent Baby Shower, donate books, magazines and calendars to the Mission to Seafarers, and bake dozens of cookies twice a year for the Kairos Prison Ministry weekends. We host six groups of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon. We have provided facilities for neighborhood food collection programs.
- Senior Center - Every Friday morning from 9:30am-noon (Sept. to mid-June) our Senior Center (known as the "Gray Brigade") meets for fellowship & snacks, games (Bingo, Scrabble, Uno & Rummikub), speakers, travel videos, and occasional visits from our Preschool children. We also host music programs and the Script-in-Hand Players. Our focus is to look out for each other, have fun and keep our minds active!

Lynn F. Ten Eyck

OUTREACH COMMISSION

The **Outreach Commission** meets **every 4th Tuesday** at 7 pm in the Library (except during the summer) to carry out our Mission: **To love our neighbors as ourselves by direct action in the congregation, community and the world.** This year we joined with other Outreach leaders from many Diocesan churches for quarterly **Service Ministry Summits** where we shared what we do and planned two Diocesan-wide service projects. Thanks to Commission members Fred Conway, Jim & Margaret England, Jean Kockinos, Roseann Myers, Melinda Murdock, Bob Shaw, Linda & Lynn Ten Eyck, Elaine & Steve Turnbull, Jean Payne, Marge Weston, Priest-in-Charge Suzanne Watson and Pastoral Associate Tom Wilson for their wonderful input, support and service, whether or not they can attend the meetings! **We welcome new members of any age – we'd like to diversify with new ideas!**

Debby Park, Commission member

The following is a summary of our ministries. The term "Jubilee" is included because St. David's has been a Jubilee Center of the Episcopal Church since 1984, and we continue to do ministries of Compassion and Justice (our heading on St. David's website). **Thanks to all the people of St. David's for your support - all this would not happen without your participation and/or prayers!!!**

Outreach/Jubilee Ministries

ADVENT BABY SHOWER: We collected baby/toddler items from parishioners and Preschool families for several weeks in Nov-Dec. There was no actual "Shower", but donations from all Diocesan churches were taken to St Dunstan's to be distributed to new moms in the Episcopal Refugee Network and the ECS peri-natal program. Many thanks to all who contributed!

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET: St David's supported the Alternative Gift Market this year by raising \$2011 for projects world-wide, while providing the opportunity to give meaningful gifts without giving "stuff." These projects ranged from providing Hens for Health in Bolivia, empowering Tibetan Girls in China, providing Safe Motherhood Kits in Haiti, bicycles for rural healthcare workers in Namibia and Zambia to planting Trees and Seeds of Hope in Rwanda, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Tanzania and Thailand. To participate, parishioners make donations to a project in the name of someone on their Christmas gift list. The honoree gets a card and a description of the project. **Many thanks to all who supported this and especially to Coordinators Linda & Lynn Ten Eyck. Special thanks to Mary McCormick-Whitehouse** for getting the Sunday School children involved in shopping.

CELEBRATION OF THANKS: Our **28th Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner** was held in the Mission Center on November 24 and thoroughly enjoyed by the attendees. We served about 80 guests with the help of 25 volunteers, including some new helpers from the community. **Highlights** were again the delicious carrot/orange/ginger **soup prepared by Jamie Wood and the beautiful table decorations and prayers prepared by the Junior Daughters of the King!** Our Wednesday set-up/potato-peeling crew was fantastic and speedy. **Chris Moreno** did a masterful job coordinating the kitchen as did **Lynn Nicholson** with the servers. And **many thanks to everyone** who cooked turkeys, stuffing or yams, provided pies or transportation, helped set up, serve or clean up and to our gracious greeters and hard-working dishwashers! Monique McThompson's granddaughter Susy (one of our youngest helpers) summed it up with her comment **"It was so nice to see everyone (guests and volunteers) happy!"**

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SERVICE AGENCY (CCSA): Our neighborhood emergency aid agency that St. David's helped establish over 30 years ago provides food & clothing to the needy and help in obtaining ID's & referrals to programs for which people are eligible. St. David's **gives \$200/month** to CCSA's operating budget, and we donate food & clothing regularly, including bread from our Sunday Food Pantry. Thanks to Melinda Murdock, we now have CCSA shopping list pads for parishioners with a suggested item to collect for CCSA each week - a handy reminder! CCSA held their annual **Hunger Walk** in April that raised **\$24,700** for the agency's programs. St. David's helped with walkers and sponsors. The **Junior Daughters of the King** raised funds with their Doggy Wash in June to purchase school supplies to fill many backpacks for CCSA's **Back-to-School program** in August. This program helped more than 300 children return to school with new backpacks and/or school supplies! In December, CCSA sponsored three different Christmas programs: Family Christmas (providing food baskets and gift cards to specific families), Christmas for the Homeless (food bags, caps and hygiene items), and Christmas Meal Baskets. Several St. David's groups and/or families participated in the Family Christmas and Christmas Meal Baskets. **Many thanks to all who support CCSA in these programs and to Roseann Myers** who serves as our representative to the CCSA Advisory Board. Parishioner **Margaret Fox** continues to volunteer at CCSA once a week. Ask her what she does - you might like to volunteer, too!

COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS: On the third Sunday of each month, volunteers from St. David's lead a **Vespers (Evening Prayer) service** for the patients at the San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital on South Rosecrans. We read the service, sing several songs, have a short homily (or just read the Gospel), and invite prayer offerings from the patients (they often say how glad they are that we come!). At Christmastime, parishioners sign cards which we distribute to the patients along with candy canes and chocolates. These are greatly appreciated. **Thanks to the following volunteers** for their faithful and loving assistance: Jim & Margaret England, Lalo Illades, Phil Loveless, Ginny Foletta, Linda & Lynn Ten Eyck, Fred Conway, Laura Urquhart and Debby Park.

Margaret England leads a support group at St. David's every second Monday of the month for families with members who have mental illness. And we have provided space for meetings and classes offered by **NAMI**. **St. David's** sent a **large group of walkers** to the **NAMI Voice of Mental Illness Walk** in Balboa Park in April. Our contribution was **\$4315 of the total raised**.

EPISCOPAL REFUGEE NETWORK OF SAN DIEGO: The Network began as the Sudanese Refugee Network, became the St. Luke's Refugee Network, and (since 2008) is an institution of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego. Ongoing support is given by diocesan churches (including St. David's) who become Friends of the Network to help resettle refugees in San Diego. These refugees come from southern Sudan, Darfur, Myanmar, Bhutan, Iraq, and Cuba, where they suffered persecution, and they become contributing U.S. citizens. The Network helps them find apartments and jobs, get medical help, access to food, and provides tutoring for many of the children. **Many thanks to Steve Turnbull who is our representative to the Refugee Network Board!**

EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT FUND: **Fred Conway** is our representative to this fund which was formerly the Presiding Bishop's Fund. The organization is able to send funds immediately when disasters occur in the U.S. and in any country where the Episcopal church has a presence or can work with aid groups already established there. But it also provides funding for projects that help people become self-sufficient. Projects this past year included: help for flooded towns in North Dakota; mattresses for pregnant women and supplemental food for children in a Liberian camp for refugees from the civil war in Ivory Coast; construction of a drainage canal and artesian wells for an area severely affected by a typhoon in the Philippines. We held our yearly parish in-gathering of funds for ERD on March 13, 2011.

FOOD PANTRY: Every Sunday after services our Food Pantry is available for parishioners who need it or for family, friends and neighbors having difficulty making ends meet. We can select from baked goods, bread, rolls, deli items, meats, dairy, and produce which is donated by Albertson's Fresh Rescue program. All of this is picked up on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings by a crew of volunteers organized by Terry Garate. **Leftovers go to CCSA and God's Extended Hand**

Mission downtown at 16th and Island, across from San Diego's winter Homeless Shelter. The Mission has storage space, including cold room space, and feeds a large clientele every day. Lynn & Linda Ten Eyck, Melinda Murdock, Vicky Greco, and the Woolery family take turns getting the leftovers to God's Extended Hand. Fred Conway helps with the clean-up. There is a terrific crew of client/volunteers who set up in the morning before the 8:00 service, and help after the 10:30 service with sorting the food/loading car or truck, cleaning off/putting away tables and tearing down boxes for recycling. If you'd like to help, contact Lynn Ten Eyck at 858-277-6885. **We will soon see installed in the Ed Center kitchen the new refrigerator/freezers purchased with our Jubilee Grant Funds!**

INTERFAITH SHELTER NETWORK: The Network is a rotational shelter program that provides 8 weeks of meals and overnight housing at nearby churches for homeless families in the Clairemont area. St. David's hosted the Interfaith Shelter for two weeks Feb. 5-19, 2011, in the Mission Center. **Many thanks to the hard workers who set up and took down the shelter and to the numerous volunteers who cooked meals and stayed overnight as hosts.** We also had help from our support churches of Holy Cross Lutheran, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic and St. Andrew's By-the-Sea Episcopal who covered several meals and overnights. We hosted two couples, a family of three, a grandmother and her grandson, and two single men. Six of our guests were able to get into more permanent housing by the end of our branch rotation. Jean Payne, Bob Shaw and Debby Park shared the job of Coordinators. Through the efforts of 100 congregations working together in seven different regions, 245 guests were sheltered for more than 8900 nights during the Interfaith Shelter's 25th Rotational Shelter season of 2010-2011. We were among the 3500 volunteers county-wide.

MILITARY FAMILIES: Twice yearly (June and November), we have an in-gathering of funds to support young enlisted military families having difficulty making ends meet. This year we supported **San Diego Military Outreach Ministries**, an organization headed by military wives who collect and make available furniture, household items, infant and children's supplies and provide food assistance and emergency needs. We donated about \$1800 from two in-gatherings. **Many thanks for your support!**

MISSION TO SEAFARERS: We collect paperback books, large picture calendars and picture magazines (they need magazines again!) to give to the **Stella Maris Mission to Seafarers at the 10th Ave. Marine Terminal**. The collection basket is now located in the Mission Center where we gather for coffee. When it gets full, Bob Shaw or Melinda Murdock takes donations to the Center - a great place for the seamen to relax, use the phone, play basketball or Ping-Pong or have a snack. We have also knitted warm caps for the seamen. **Many thanks for the donations and to Bob and Melinda for their help!**

NONVIOLENT PEACEFORCE: St. David's is a Supporting Organization of Nonviolent Peaceforce because we provide a regular meeting place (**1:15 pm in the Library on the 1st Saturday of the month**) for the **Nonviolent Peaceforce San Diego Chapter**. Several parishioners are chapter members. They encourage anyone interested in **peace and nonpartisan peacekeeping** to attend the meetings and learn more about **Nonviolent Peaceforce** which trains civilian, nonpartisan, unarmed peacekeeping teams to protect human rights and lives, deter violence, and help create a space for local peacemakers to work in areas of conflict around the world - currently in Sri Lanka, Mindanao (Philippines), and southern Sudan.

PRISON MINISTRY: Parishioners provided many dozens of homemade cookies for two Kairos Weekends at R J Donovan prison - about 30 dozen cookies both in March and October. The Junior Daughters of the King baked the most! **Many thanks to all bakers!** Kairos Prison Ministry addresses the spiritual needs of prisoners. It sprang from the Cursillo movement and is supported by Christian volunteers. St. David's also hosted a Kairos outside Weekend in March for women with loved ones who are incarcerated.

RACHEL'S WOMEN'S NIGHT SHELTER: Three to four times a month (every other 1st Sat., 2nd Wed., 4th Fri. & 4th Mon.), a team from St. David's **prepares and serves an evening meal** for the 25-30 women at Rachel's Night Shelter downtown on 8th Ave. between F & G streets. We fix a main dish, salad, dessert, and provide fruit, milk, and juice. Then we stay to eat with the women who are trying to turn their lives around by staying drug and alcohol-free and by taking classes and/or looking for work. **Many thanks to our wonderful cooks:** Loral Priest, Ginny Foletta, Jane Illades, Leslie Cohan, Sally Noorany, Sima Foroozan, Jean Payne, Debby Park, Katy Finn, Ronnie Whitehorse, Julie Johnson, Terri Smith, Anne Kruse, Alana Sedgwick, Barby Waters, Peggy Howe, Kate Shea, Terry Garate & friend Annie, Frances Warren, Stephanie Pierce, Paula Yancy, and Shelley Linnan. **The women always love our meals!**

Many women at Rachel's work in the cottage industry of packaging **bean soup mixes** to sell. The soups are delicious and make great gifts. We have these for sale, along with dips & rubs for meat & fish, after services most Sundays to support **the Tomorrow Project**. Occasionally we have soup "tastings" along with our sales!

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE (HOSPITALITY ROOM): In an effort to reach out to the neighborhood and our preschool parents, Linda and Lynn Ten Eyck offered **free coffee, tea, juice and treats** on Thursday mornings by the Mission Center through June of 2011. The idea was to greet people and talk casually about St. David's. There were books and toys for any children in tow. **Many thanks to Linda and Lynn!**

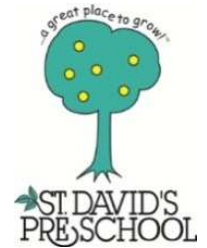
ST. DAVID'S PRESCHOOL is an important part of our **Outreach to the neighborhood and our community.** The whole church gets involved in supporting their annual fundraisers (Spaghetti Dinner & Spring Festival). We also joined with them to do a huge Rummage Sale and pancake breakfast last June.

Last, but not least, the **church sponsors** 6 groups of Alcoholics Anonymous & Al-Anon who use our facility for meetings throughout the week.

Debby Park, Commission Member

St. David's Preschool

2011 was a year of transition and growth at our Preschool. We said goodbye to our long-time director, Miss Terri. I am happy to have joined the Preschool staff as the new director on September 12th. Our senior teacher, Ms. Zyntia, earned the title of Head Teacher. She and all the teachers were tremendously helpful during my adjustment period when I was getting to know everything and everyone.



I have to say that I have never in the past worked with such a wonderful and devoted group of professionals as we have here at our Preschool. They are each fine individuals. Each day, they show us how much they are committed to their craft by giving so much to the children in their care. They work together so well that they truly are an example to the children of positive relationships. I am so proud to be part of this team.

In the fall, we upgraded our playground with beautiful new play sand, rubber bark for under the dome climber, bike helmets to protect our heads, and wonderful outdoor ramps for creative building. We are in the process of sprucing up the office and bathroom areas with a new coat of paint. We turned a crowded storage shed into a work space for the teachers, complete with a new laptop for their sole use. They are using it to make displays with many pictures of the children "in action", that is, learning and having fun!

In October, the grounds outside the Mission Center miraculously turned into a pumpkin patch overnight and each child picked his/her own pumpkin to take home. It was truly special on St. Francis Day when the children brought their favorite stuffed animals to chapel to be blessed by Rev. Suzanne. The look on each child's face while he/she was standing before her in awe was priceless!

The staff and I thank the many people who care for and support our Preschool every day. Of course, we thank the children and their families for giving so much of themselves. St. David's parishioners, the Preschool Advisory Council, the Vestry, and the Church staff are always willing to go the extra mile to make our Preschool even better! I especially want to acknowledge Reverend Suzanne, Elaine Turnbull, Ann Packard, and David Priest for their tireless efforts on our behalf.

In closing, I share with you our new Mission Statement that expresses our views of what our Preschool is and will grow to be:

With the teachings of Christ as our foundation, the mission of St. David's Preschool is to offer excellence in early childhood care and education via a nurturing environment that supports a healthy self-image, creative expression, and critical thinking and recognizes "purposeful play" as essential to a young child's learning experience.

Respectfully submitted,

Silvana Vollero, Preschool Director

FACILITIES & MAINTENANCE

Facilities Use Coordinator

Our facilities continue to be one of our great assets. Their use by outside groups such as the Interfaith Shelter, Kairos Outside, 12-Step programs, NAMI, and Nonviolent Peaceforce exemplify our commitment to outreach. In addition, we have been host to diocesan gatherings for the clergy and other church organizations. Our labyrinth continues to be used by people in the community as well as by our parishioners.

We must not forget how much we use these facilities to nourish our own parish life, whether it is our worship services, special events in the Mission Center, programs for our children and youth, Bible study, or Prayer Quilt Squares.

As we enter a new year, we will be taking a look to see if our facilities are being used in the best ways. **The opinions of all members of the parish are valued and we would like to hear from each of you.**

Bob Shaw, Facilities Use Coordinator



Facilities and Maintenance Report 2011

The past year has been challenging for facilities and maintenance, but there are several successes to report.

Harry Packard has been elevated to Sexton Emeritus at his request. The parish shall be forever grateful for his years of dedicated service. His pay will continue at the same rate, which is zero. He can never actually retire, however, because of Zeno's paradox.

Eric Priest completed his Eagle Scout project, which was replacing landscaping around the library. The parish and Boy Scout Troop 11 provided generous financial support and labor to Eric's project. Many people have complimented on the results.

Rev. Tom Watson conducted a survey of the facilities for safety, an area where he has special training. He produced a list of things we can do to keep the campus safer and up to code.

St. David's Preschool has come forward with a variety of projects that are needed to improve the classroom environment and meet state codes. These include painting, plumbing, electrical, leak abatement, playground, and other areas of the preschool. The projects are ongoing.

During the coming year of 2012, there are several anticipated projects that need attention.

The parish will need to develop ways to distribute work assignments to parishioners or contractors. Tasks such as changing light bulbs, setting up tables and chairs, painting, and cleaning are examples of tasks that parishioners might take on. Other repairs may need more expert work.

The food pantry that distributes food on Sundays will need some upgrades to their storage and food handling facilities. This is being studied to see how the parish can meet the requirements of the umbrella organization that oversees such programs.

The parish needs to use less electricity and water to help the budget, so all parishioners are asked to assist. Be aware of lights that are left on or water leaks in the landscape that you may see. Let the office know about them so facilities can fix it.

The buildings will continue to need emergency repairs and normal maintenance, so look for announcements about parish work days in 2012.

David Priest, Vestry member, Facilities and Maintenance.



ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS

Communications

The Gospel at St. David's

Effective December 2011 St. David's office implemented a new method to distribute The Gospel at St. David's to parishioners. We are now using Constant Contact to compile an E-version each month and send out the the monthly Gospel via an E-Newsletter. For those without email we print a hardcopy and distribute at church on Sunday. Thank you to Melinda Murdock as the past editor and to Jan Daugherty, Alana Sedgwick, and Debby Park for their proofreading efforts, as well as to all those who contribute to the Gospel each month.

If you would like an article in The Gospel, please email it no later than the 22nd of each month to Treena Roman at office@saintdavidchurch.com to go in the next month's issue.

Treena Roman, Parish Administrator

St. David's Website

St. David's website is easy to navigate and has a lot of useful information. The website keeps you up to date on what is happening at St. David's. You can find the new yearly "Google Calendar," the Serving in Worship Schedule, Gospel articles, various schedules, and much more. The website is welcoming and informative to new visitors and offers a snapshot of opportunities for spiritual growth and outreach to others. It also provides a comprehensive list of church services, directions, and contacts to obtain more information. Visit us at www.saintdavidchurch.com today!

Treena Roman, Parish Administrator

The Weekly Times at St. David's

"The Weekly Times at St David's" is St. David's weekly E-newsletter from the church office. The weekly email keeps you up to date on all of the many activities going on at St. David's. Our weekly newsletter includes upcoming events and timely announcements. We also send out emails with special announcements, St. David's Youth group E-Updates and St. David's Monthly Publication "The Gospel at St. David's" for you to view or download. Not on our email list? Email Treena Roman at office@saintdavidchurch.com to add your email. If you have an announcement for The Weekly Times, please email it to office@saintdavidchurch.com by Wednesday mornings.

Treena Roman, Parish Administrator

Office Ministers

I want to express my sincere appreciation to all of St. David's wonderful office volunteers. The office volunteers are an amazing, dedicated group whose efforts are instrumental in keeping the church office running smoothly on a day-to-day basis. It is their presence and commitment that gives the office a friendly, welcoming, and cheerful atmosphere.

Many thanks to all the faithful volunteers who volunteered this past year: Marge Weston, Barbara Searles, Jan Daugherty, Si Howe, Pat Gorman, Edna O'Grady, Jean Kockinos, Margaret Fox. A big thank you to our substitute volunteers; Virginia Cesena, and Virginia Koslowski. The office is always in need of volunteers and volunteer substitutes. Please contact Treena in the office for more information.

Thank you all for your dedication!

Treena Roman, Parish Administrator



Bylaws Committee Report

The Bylaws Committee, composed of Roseann Myers, Fred Conway and Chairman Vera Mizell, has reviewed the current St. David's Episcopal Church Revised Bylaws and determined there are too many changes needed and the bylaws must be completely revised. Therefore, the Revised Bylaws cannot be presented to the members of St. David's at the January 29, 2012 Annual Meeting. The committee will continue to work on them and present them for approval to the diocese as required in the Church Canon.

Vera Mizell, Parliamentarian, Chairman Bylaws Committee

EVANGELISM

Bread Ministry

The **BREAD MINISTRY** at St. David's continues to be a vital part of **welcoming visitors**. It is our intentional and visible way of extending our friendship. The tangible part of the Ministry is baking and delivering a loaf of home-made bread to the visitor's home within four days after their visit. Thank you to the 10 dedicated members who have served this past year as either a bread baker or a deliverer:

Carole Denton, Kathleen Hoot, Roseann & Bill Myers, Nancy Sheriff, Shirley Culver, Jane Morris, Alana & Skip Sedgwick, and Jeff Watkins.

Margaret Fox



Newcomers

In the year 2011, there were 22 men and women who, on a rotating basis, provided the **welcoming spirit** at St. David's. Those serving as **Greeters** during the year were:

Dotty Baty, Todd Edwards, Erik Evans, Margaret Fox, Mike and Gini Holcomb, Jarrod Holmes, Rick Kruse, Maureen Lewis, Jane Morris, Melinda Murdock, Roseann Myers, Ann Packard, David Priest, Don & Barbara Searles, Lynn Ten Eyck, Kendra Thomas, Ronnie Whitehorse, Kathy & Craig Winder, and Lane Woolery.

They served before and after either the 8:00 o'clock or 10:30 a.m. services. Reverend Suzanne, the Vestry and Greeters hosted a Newcomers Luncheon in January, 2011. Volunteer greeters acted as hosts for each table at the community Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you, all, for serving all year long. Our thanks go out again to Melinda Murdock for bringing the church directory up to date with pictures of newcomers. It is always heartening to notice newcomers being drawn towards areas of service which are meaningful to them, at the same time becoming part of our Christian community.

Margaret Fox, Newcomers Liaison to the Vestry

Strategy

Vestry Ministry Area: Evangelism: Strategy & Vision - Strategic Plan Update "Mission: Possible"

"Evangelism-Strategy & Vision-Strategic Plan Ministry Team:" Erik Evans, Roseann Myers, Suzanne Watson & Rick Kruse.

Our mission, "Mission: Possible," is a unique opportunity to help raise St David's to the next level and further leverage what God calls us to do, i.e., "PWM" - further develop our Program, spread the Word and Multiply. To accomplish this, a team of people who are passionate about Evangelism is being gathered.

Let's examine this more closely...

Evangelism

Let's start with the basics. What is Evangelism? The Greek term is "euangelion" (yoo-ahn-GHEL-ee-ohn), which can be roughly translated as "good news." As we share the Good News of God made known to us through Jesus Christ, we are practicing Evangelism.

There are many ways to share the hope that is in us. Considering the vast diversity of God's creation, it should not surprise us that God is using multiple mediums to proclaim the Good News and offer encounters with Jesus Christ. This diversity is a blessing, a gift from God.

Our challenge is to discern the way that God is already moving in someone's life, and so be able to identify the best way to share the Good News in that situation.

It should be a comfort for us to realize that we never engage in Evangelism by ourselves. God is the primary evangelist. We are the instruments, the channels, of God's grace. We plant, another waters, but it is God who gives the growth. Beyond that, we understand the Church to be the Body of Christ in the world today. We are part of an "Evangelism team." We do our part, our faith community does their part, and then we trust the rest to God.

Evangelism and Congregational Development will always be dance partners, as both are needed to make disciples of Jesus Christ. And Stewardship, as "money follows mission," is needed to support our practices. However, the primary focus of the Evangelism component is those who are outside the walls of the Church. That is our "target group." As we develop creative strategies for Evangelism, our vision must be cast with an outward focus.

Our Welcoming Statement

"Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome at St. David's."

Our Goal Statement

The goal in Evangelism is not to cannibalize members from other churches in the community but to reach the un-found and spiritually homeless and to reach those who have left our church for another and are not spiritually fulfilled.

We should begin with this commitment.

"Whatever the Father sent Jesus to do in his physical body, Jesus sends the church to continue doing as his spiritual body."

Key Assumptions in the Process

"If we aim at nothing, we will hit it every time."

"God calls us to be mission-minded not maintenance-minded."

"There is nothing more powerful than those who hold a vision and mission in common, guided by God."

From Vision to Objectives...Our Vision

"Heaven on Earth!"

Strategies, Goals, Tactics & Objectives

Strategies produce goals, which have tactics, and one or more objectives...and are the direction we're headed.

Goals are what we want to accomplish once we get there.

Tactics are the "how" of achieving the goal.

Objectives are the "what," and are specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-limited.

...and many goals, tactics and objectives have milestones...

Milestones help us to know when we've achieved the goal, tactic, or objective.

Our Process

1. Identify Strategic Plan Team members
2. Develop Strategies, Goals, Tactics and Objectives
 - a. Develop an understanding of our community, congregation, diocese and national church
 - i. Better understand the Social and Demographic Characteristics of our Local Community.
Shed light on the people to whom we hope to minister.
Community demographic profile will give us a demographic overview of St David's in our area: 1-mile (predominantly zip 92110), 2-mile (predominantly zips 92110 & 92111) and 3-mile radius (predominantly zips 92110, 92111 & 92117).
Purpose is to tell the "demographic story" of our local community.
Includes 12 "Insites" into our "demographic story."
Includes both demographic, and beliefs and practices data.
 - ii. Better understand Why Episcopal Churches are Growing or Declining
Findings from the Episcopal Church
FACT (Faith Communities Today)
2010 Survey
864 Randomly Selected Episcopal Congregations
Social & Demographic Characteristics: National Episcopal Church Community
 - b. Develop a strategy based on an understanding of the community
 - c. Build an image in the community
 - d. Identify, Track and Assimilate potential Parishioners
3. Present Plan to Vestry for approval
4. Present Plan to Parishioners
5. Rollout Plan - Q2, 2012

Key Milestones To Date

5/10/2011 Vestry Presentation – Community ExecutiveInsite™ Reports, “Studying Our Congregation & Community”

9/13/2011 Vestry Presentation - Findings from the Episcopal Church, “Why Episcopal Churches are Growing or Declining”

11/6/2011 Forum Presentation – Community ExecutiveInsite™ Reports, “Who Are Our Neighbors?”

1/14/2012 Kick-off Meeting - “Evangelism – Strategy & Vision – Strategic Plan Ministry Team”

Rick Kruse – Vestry Ministry Team Leader

STEWARDSHIP & LEVERAGING

Grant Writing

In late November 2010, we submitted a Jubilee grant proposal for \$2500 for the Food Pantry. We received that grant in 2011, and plans are in the works for purchasing appliances and rearrangements in the Education Center to accommodate cold and dry storage for the Food Pantry. Research is ongoing for applying for more grants.

Jan Daugherty, Grant Writer

Stewardship

Our Stewardship Ministry continued this year with a great committee made up of Ann Packard, Gary Baty, Shirley Culver, Jan Daugherty, Jane Illades, Roseann Myers, Jean Payne, Elaine Turnbull, Rev. Suzanne, Mary Whitehouse and Jamie Wood. We started our year with an ambitious plan to put together a Diocesan Seminar on Stewardship training. It was entitled “WRITE AND PLAN YOUR FALL PLEDGE CAMPAIGN IN JUST SIX HOURS!!!” Our expert trainer was Rev. Laurel Johnston, Staff Officer for Stewardship from the Episcopal Church Center. We attracted other parishes by offering a training that would help them plan their fall pledge campaign as part of their year round stewardship program in just one day. We had a great response with just under 50 people from the parishes. It was an excellent training from Rev. Johnston making a great difference to our committee in having a well thought out plan for the rest of the year.

Hand in hand with preparation for the workshop, we prepared our own congregation for the Spring Campaign for Ministry & Services. Our theme was “We demonstrate God’s love through service”. The committee did a church wide survey of people’s interests in serving within the parish. Surveys were aggregated and the information was disseminated to Committee Chairs to engage new members in their ministries.

With our plan for fall in hand, we implemented October’s focus with a series of lay witness talks, written articles by committee members discussing their thoughts regarding giving: trust, priorities, faith and security, Suzanne’s sermons to help us grow in our understanding and relationship to God.

Shirley Culver, Committee Chair

Treasurer’s Report

Many thanks to Marianne Boaz, our bookkeeper, who came in mid-year, deciphered our books, and went forward without the benefit of a transition period. Thanks for the wise contributions of the Finance Committee: Shirley Culver, Gwen Hunter, Harry Packard, Bob Shaw, and especially Steve Turnbull. Thanks also to our regular Vestry members: Craig Winder, Margaret Fox, Elaine Turnbull, Ann Packard, and Reverend Suzanne. Also, thanks to our counters: Jim England, Lalo Illades, Dick and Kathleen Hoot, Jon Turley, Edna O’Grady, Barbara Searles, and Jeff Watkins.

2011 was a difficult year, financially, as we used a large portion of our entering bank accounts to fund the Parish. We enter 2012 with similar financial challenges. Many ministries have not been funded and will rely on fundraising for budgets. As a faith community we look forward to finding the resources for a successful year.

God Bless, Skip Sedgwick, Treasurer

Treasurer's Summary Report Year End 2011

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Revenue			
Gifts, Pledges, Cell tower, etc.	\$393,154	\$396,215	-\$3,061
Expenses			
Mortgages	\$105,360	\$105,360	\$0
Facilities & Maintenance	\$69,516	\$64,410	-\$5,106
Ministerial Staff	\$185,950	\$177,505	-\$8,445
Admin. & Operations	\$18,699	\$31,010	\$12,311
Stewardship & Leverage	\$0	\$300	\$300
Evangelism	\$0	\$750	\$750
Worship & Music	\$452	\$2,850	\$2,398
Christian Formation	\$5,161	\$3,750	-\$1,411
Fellowship	\$374	\$500	\$126
Internal Ministries	\$4,847	\$4,820	-\$27
Outward Ministries	\$34,991	\$35,613	\$622
Total Expenses	\$425,350	\$426,868	\$1,518
Net Income	-\$32,196	-\$30,653	-\$1,543



Revenue changes to budget include Capital and Operating pledges below budget by \$16 thousand. Offset by Maintenance gift of \$5 thousand, Plate increase by \$7 thousand, and unplanned Rectory rental of \$15 thousand.

Expenses were close to plan by offsetting reasons. Ministerial Staff exceeded budget because of non-planned housing allowance and vacation accrual. Maintenance expenses were higher due to repairs needed for the Rectory, and gas and electric charges. Admin. is under budget with the cancelation of the outside audit and the re-calculation of workers comp.

With the decline in pledges our bank accounts were almost depleted to pay our expenses. Without a transfer of funds from the Pre-school, the ending Operating balance would have been \$109, Capital balance \$10,132, and Maint. Balance of \$6,536.

Mortgage ending balances were \$532,490 for our first, and \$130,007 for our second.

Full 2012 budgets can be found on our website at www.saintdavidschurch.com on the vestry page.

St. David's Episcopal Church Budget Summary 2012

2012 Budget

	Budget 2012
Revenue	
Gifts, Pledges, Cell tower, etc	\$377,160
Expenses	
Mortgages	\$105,362
Facilities & Maintenance	\$36,180
Ministerial Staff	\$186,618
Admin. & Operations	\$15,360
Stewardship & Leverage	\$0
Evangelism	\$0
Worship & Music	\$3,639
Christian Formation	\$0
Fellowship	\$0
Internal Ministries	\$2,340
Outward Ministries	\$27,562
Total Expenses	\$377,061
Net Income	\$99
Opening Bank Balances	
Operating	\$10,109
Capital	\$10,132
Maintenance	\$25,633

Preschool Budget Summery 2012

Financial Report for 2011

Budget Projection for 2012

Revenue:	\$328,988.00	Revenue:	\$311,059.00
Expenses:		Expenses:	
Administrative	\$212,690.00	Administrative	\$237,838.00
Operating	\$103,701.00	Operating	\$73,109.00
Total Expenses	\$316,391.00	Total Expenses	\$310,947.00
NET PROCEEDS:	\$12,597.00	NET PROCEEDS:	\$112.00
Average Equivalent Attendance 2011	6	Expected Ave. Equivalent Attendance 2012	29