



*Mission Statement: As a visible symbol of God's presence in the world, St. David's Church is a welcoming and diverse community of disciples, actively serving Christ in one another and all those beyond our doors*

**APRIL 2009**

## HOLY WEEK/EASTER 2009

*Hosanna  
in the  
Highest!*



### **Palm Sunday, April 5**

8:00 & 10:15 am The Holy Eucharist with Palm Blessing

### **Monday, April 6**

12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  
7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

### **Tuesday, April 7**

12:15 pm Noonday Prayer

### **Maundy Thursday, April 9**

12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  
7:30 pm The Last Supper with Foot-washing and Stripping of the Altar

### **Good Friday, April 10**

12 Noon & 7:30 pm Good Friday Liturgy with Holy Communion  
3:00 pm Stations of the Cross with Holy Communion

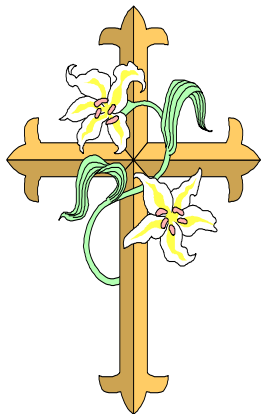


### **Holy Saturday, April 11**

7:30 pm The Great Vigil with the New Fire, Holy Baptism and The First Eucharist of Easter followed by Champagne Reception. Bring bells to ring in Easter. Sign up in church to bring in savory or sweet foods for the reception.

### **Easter Day, April 12**

10:15 am Festive Holy Eucharist  
with Choir, Brass and the "Hallelujah Chorus"  
(No 8:00 am Service)



### **Easter 2, April 19**

8:00 am The Holy Eucharist  
10:15 am The Holy Eucharist with Flowering of the Cross;  
Church School Easter Egg Hunt, Parish Potluck Brunch





## From the Rector

We are at the point where our preparation turns toward Holy Week and Easter. I wonder what the un-churched folks think about all this assuming that they are paying attention to the

Church at all. They may not share our world of symbolism and spiritual strength that come from our seasonal celebrations, but we do share their world of the exchange of valued items and services. We've heard much about this in the context of our recent economic recession/depression. The basic tenet of this system is you do for me, and I'll do for you. This is also known as a "fee for service" economy.

Eventually a problem arises. Someone, at some point, doesn't have what it takes to complete the exchange. Or maybe the system of competition simply won't work for them. I just had someone in my office who knows the pain of this problem. People drop out or are pushed out of the world's structures. When someone finds him or herself out of the loop of this system, it is very difficult to find a way back in. We may know others who are aware of this danger and live in some degree of fear of being forced out of the game – or already have been. There is usually some place in a person's heart where they wish things were different.

Of all the people in the world, Christians are the most practical. We know how the world works. Our faith is based on the recognition of the truths of our lives juxtaposed on the truths of God. All of those truths form the central part of our story. The story of the life and work of Jesus of Nazareth is all about what happens when someone tells the truths of our lives juxtaposed on the truths of God. Jesus lived his life dedicated to the two great commandments of loving God and loving his neighbor. Christians know where all this led. It led to Golgotha and the tomb. We know how the world as it is works.

We know something else. We know how God works. That was demonstrated on the first Easter morning. The Christian faith is based on an empty tomb. On the third day after the world did its very worst to Jesus, God won. God would not allow Jesus to remain dead, in a tomb, and raised him to new life again. Christians understand what this means. It shouts to every dark place in the world that brokenness, disappointment, failure, heartbreak, and death, are not the final words. The final word is the love of God. The gift of Easter: a second,

third, or infinite number of opportunities to start all over again. This is the very practical message of Easter.

During the present economic climate it seems that more and more people need to start all over again. Are we ready to offer them that Easter life of infinite opportunities? I hope so. Remember, if they are watching us then they are paying attention to the Church. Are we ready?

Alleluia.  
*David*

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR GLOBAL JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION During Holy Week: Monday, April 6 at 7:30 pm & Good Friday, April 10 at 3:00 pm

The Stations of the Cross (also called the Way of the Cross) is a traditional liturgical devotion commemorating the last day of Jesus' life. The devotion originated with pilgrims in Jerusalem retracing the traditional steps Jesus is believed to have followed on Good Friday. Since not all Christians could make pilgrimages to Jerusalem, however, the custom arose of replicating the devotion in congregational and individual settings, often with images or carvings on the walls of a church to commemorate each of the traditional 14 stations (or stops) on the Way of the Cross.

The Church through the centuries has used many forms of praying the Stations of the Cross. The form we will be using, prepared by the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations, offers the opportunity for Christians to meditate on each of the stations by contemplating the needs of suffering people in God's creation today. The devotions challenge us to think about how we - the ministers of God's reconciliation in Christ - can honor Christ's sacrifice by offering ourselves to the healing and repair of the world God sent his Son to save.

### Calling All New Members and Inquirers

There will be four sessions of fellowship and study for new members and inquirers to learn more about faith, the church and St. David's. The dates are all on Wednesday evenings, 7:15 - 9:15 pm: April 22, May 6, 20 and 27. If interested in participating, please sign up in church beginning on Palm Sunday, April 5. If you have questions, please contact David DeSmith.



## HOW CAN I HELP ON THE BIKE EVENT????

**Dear Parishioners:**

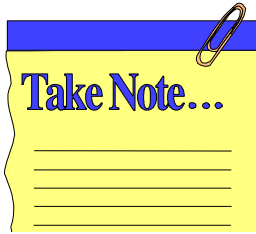
**We get that question quite often. Well, for a start...**

By the time you receive this copy of Visions we will be 35 days from the BRAKE the HUNGER CYCLE TOUR Bike Event. It's a big undertaking but the good news is that we have a very active committee working hard to get the job done.

Last year we surveyed the riders and found that **WORD-OF-MOUTH** was a key contributor in attracting riders. That is where you can help. **GET THE WORD OUT!!!!!!** All of the information regarding the event can be found on our website, [www.HungerCycleTour.com](http://www.HungerCycleTour.com). That's easy to remember.....**HungerCycleTour.com**.

Also, do you know anyone in another church who might be willing to make an announcement at their church? Cyclists exist everywhere. We just have to get the word to them. This is an opportunity for them to ride with our Bishop! Let us know and we'll get you some literature to send to that acquaintance.

Rodger Pisani and Mike Odian, Committee



**SPRING CLEANUP DAY** is Saturday, April 4, 9:00 - noon. Let Brian O'Connor know you will be there or just come on down - both guys and gals!

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5**, is the last chance to make contributions toward the Easter decorations - the envelopes are in the pews. You can also contribute to special instrumental music for Easter Day.

## SHARING

Again this year the offering collected through the special Easter envelopes included with the pledge envelopes has been designated for outreach. The vestry is sending Easter greetings to those on their lists and included will be a special envelope for those who do not have pledge ones, so that everyone will have the opportunity to make a special gift.

## READERS CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

**April 7th (Please note change of date.)** - **TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD** has become a classic of modern American fiction and a classic film. We will meet on Tuesday, April 7th, at 6:30 pm, at the Rectory for a potluck supper to view the film, followed by a discussion about the book, led by Chris Snyder. Please R.S.V.P. to John Simonelli.



Greg Mortenson's phenomenal journey, as told in **THREE CUPS OF TEA**, began as an unsuccessful attempt to climb K2, the world's second tallest mountain. Dangerously ill when he finished his climb in 1993, he was sheltered for seven weeks by the people of a small Pakistani village. He promised to return and build the impoverished town's first school. This project grew into the Central Asia Institute, which has since constructed more than fifty schools across rural Pakistan and Afghanistan. As the story progresses, we are presented with compelling portraits of village elders, con artists, philanthropists, mujahadeen, Taliban officials, ambitious school girls and the wonderful people Mortenson meets along the way. From the book cover, "His story is at once a riveting adventure and a testament to the power of the humanitarian spirit." It is also a lesson on what one determined person can accomplish! Please come and join this discussion which will be led by Caroline Mossip, on May 4th at 7:30 PM.

**June 1st - THE NAMESAKE**

## HIKERS MASS

**THE ANNUAL SPRING HIKERS MASS** will be held at the Stone Living Room in West Milford. The hiking trail is moderate with some climbing. If interested in participating, please sign up in church beginning on Palm Sunday, April 5. The date is Saturday, April 25. Carpool departure from the church is at 1:00 pm. There will be a potluck supper at the Rectory beginning at 6:30 pm.



**THE TASTING EVENT** - remember how much fun it was last fall? It's back and will be held on Saturday, June 20. Mark your calendars and watch for all the details in future issues!



**“PLANT”** this date on your calendar! Saturday, May 9, for the 22nd (WOW!) annual spring “garden goodies” sale!

You will find the pick of the crop in flats; hanging baskets; pots; planters; a selection of vegetables and herbs; and other items at very reasonable prices. (There will be a 10% discount on all pre-orders.) For your convenience and to ensure that you get exactly what you want, there is an order form in this issue. **IF YOU CAN HELP** on

that day, please call co-chairs JoAnn Hahn (973-492-0528) or Mary Stuart Hawk (973-263-8809) to “stake” your claim to a variety of tasks! There will be a sign-up sheet and extra pre-order forms in the parish hall and the narthex. New this year is the survey that was sent to everyone - please return it as soon as possible. **THE PRE-ORDER DEADLINE IS APRIL 26!**

## **GARAGE SALE**

**A NEW FORMAT THIS YEAR!** Open only to St. David’s members and their friends, you can rent a space for \$25 and get rid of all those “treasures” you no longer need or want! (Each space will accommodate one 8-foot table or three cardtables.) The event will be held on Saturday, May 9, 9:00 - 4:00, in the parking lot. Setting up, selling and taking down is the responsibility of the participants. Your check to the office is your reservation. We have a limited number of both large and small tables available, so if you need one please indicate that with your check. **THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MAY 3!**



**MAY 9 WILL BE A VERY BUSY DAY!** The youth from the Reformed Church will join ours to sponsor a baked goods/refreshments sale as a fundraiser for the R.I.S.E. Mission trip. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex to indicate what “tummy yummys” you will donate!

**YOU CAN DO ONE-STOP MOTHER’S DAY SHOPPING!**

## Notes from Sr. Shane

Happy Spring! I think we've turned the tide. The geese are flying with a purpose these days, the days are longer, and – maybe – the snows are over. It's paradoxical to think that Lent, a time to look within, is also a time when the world around us is getting so wild and wonderful. It's a time to take stock of our lives, and also a time to give thanks. But then, every day is a chance for both.

I am especially grateful to all of you for your generosity to those in need, both here in Kinnelon and as far away as Cameroon. Your response to the need at Good Shepherd Home in Bamenda, Cameroon has been great. The Women's Group has filled more than one suitcase with books, and so far we have managed to pay for shipping for one and a half suitcases. Sr. Mary Lynne will take **twelve** suitcases with her on April 15, so we need your help. If you can, please consider donating toward shipping costs. This is still the only effective way to ensure that supplies actually arrive at the Home. You can make tax-deductible checks to CSJB-Good Shepherd Home and give them to me, or send them to me at P.O. Box 240, Mendham, NJ 07945.

Thanks as well to everyone for the donations to North Porch. Keep them coming! They especially need:

*Diapers (newborn size, and sizes 4 and 5)*

*Silimac formula (blue or red label)*

*Baby bottles*

*Baby shampoo, wipes, oil, powder and cream*

The recipients are very grateful.

Closer to home, Gail is hoping to supply our neighbors who use the Food Pantry with Easter baskets and hams. She is asking for packages of green Easter grass for baskets, and for hams – canned or fresh. These should arrive by April 3 in order for her to distribute them for Easter. If you have fresh hams to donate, call ahead (973-838-5403 x 5) to schedule refrigerator space. And thanks for your donations for paper products this past month – and thanks to John Simonelli for his trips to Costco!

Jesus' last supper was a simple Passover meal with his friends. Around the world, on Easter Day people will gather to give thanks for the miracle of resurrection and new life. Some will go home hungry. I can't think of a better way to remember that last supper than to help those around us to share a joyful meal. God bless you and keep you.



## ERD OUTREACH FAIR!

“Stone” (a/k/a vegetable) soup, count the jelly beans, tic-tac-toe, mighty-good milkshakes - it was quite a day!

Jake Stanton and Brian Bussey were the closest in the “counting the jelly beans” - they each won a stuffed animal. We collected a total of \$300.00 for ERD!

Hearty thanks go to our children AJ and Deanna Fanelli, Jake Stanton, Neil and Paige Verroca and the dedicated adults Nancy Hammaker (chair), Caroline Mossip, Christine Rudolphi, and Brenda Verroca. An added treat was having David’s daughter (Amy) and granddaughter (Olivia) join the activity!







**TO THE DEDICATED PARISHIONERS** who fulfilled our outreach commitment to St. Anthony's in Butler earlier this month - Polly Barker, Stacey Ferraro, Norm Leser, Caroline Mossip, Brian O'Connor and Joanne Webb.

By popular request.....

**Greens a la Dale Pappas  
(as served at the recent Mardi Gras brunch)**

**Ingredients**

- 6 smoked ham hocks**
- 2 bunches of kale**
- 2 bunches of collard greens**

(this recipe may be halved)

**Cover the ham hocks with water by about an inch. Cover, bring to a boil and simmer. Meanwhile wash the collards and kale thoroughly, remove the stems, roll the leaves and cut into 1" to 2" slices. Put the greens in the pot with the hocks, pressing them down into the broth. Check for seasoning (sometimes ham hocks are quite salty and other times not at all). Cover and let simmer for at least an hour and a half. When the pot has cooled remove the hocks and take the little bit of meat off. Cut it up into bite-size pieces and add back to the pot. (This is one of those dishes that tastes better if made the day ahead.) Enjoy!**

**VESTRY NOTES**

From the meeting of March 19 -

- \* Agreed to join the diocesan Covenant to Increase Ministry Capacity and Provide Support and members committed to meetings.
- \* Moved to include Capital Gifts, Planned Giving and Year-around Stewardship Education in the Stewardship Commission.
- \* Continued to evaluate the worship program.
- \* Named a committee to work on parishioner nametags and a display board.

*Congratulations*

To VERA HIEBLER on the birth of her grandson Alexander Erwin Swedenborg.

**ATTENDANCE**

March 2008

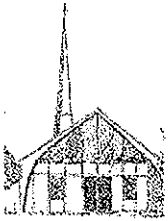
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\*includes Easter Vigil & Easter Day

March 2009

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\*\*does not include March 29



# St. David's Episcopal Church

22nd ANNUAL PLANT SALE

May 9, 2009 9AM - 4PM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
10% DISCOUNT FOR PRE-ORDERS BY APRIL 26th

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

## ANNUALS

	Flats	Packs
	\$13.00	\$2.25
Impatiens		
Red		
White		
Pink		
Lavender		
Mix		
Dusty Miller		
Silver		
Vinca Flower		
Mixed		
Dahlia		
Mixed		

	Flats	Packs
	\$13.00	\$2.25
Begonia		
Brown Leaf with Pink		
Brown Leaf with Red		
Brown Leaf with White		
Green leaf with Pink		
Green Leaf with Red		
Green Leaf with White		
Salvia		
Red		

	Flats	Packs
	\$13.00	\$2.25
Marigold		
Yellow		
Orange		
Mix		
Petunia		
Blue		
Pink		
Red		
White		
Ageratum		
Blue		

Additional Varieties of Flats and Hanging Baskets will be available the day of the Sale

	Packs
	\$2.75
VEGETABLES	
4 plants per Pack	
Peppers-California Bell	
Peppers-Better Bell	
Beefsteak Tomatoes	
Cherry Tomatoes	
Plum Tomatoes	

	12 & 10" pots
	\$25.00
12" GERANIUM COMBO WITH VINCA VINE & DRACENA	
12" PREMIUM PATIO COMBO	
10" HIBISCUS BUSH	

	Gallon pot
	\$7.00
Beefsteak Tomatoes	
Patio Tomatoes	

	4 1/2" pot
	\$4.00
CUTTING GERANIUMS	
Pink	
Red	
Salmon	
Violet	
White	
Herbs	
Basil	
Lavender	
Oregano	
Parsley	
Rosemary	

	8" pot
	\$13.00
Wave Petunia	
Pink	
Blue	
Purple	

	4 1/2" pot
	\$4.00
VINCA VINE	
DRACAENA SPIKES	
TRAILING PETUNIAS	
Assorted	
COLEUS	
DAHLIAS	
GERBER DAISY	
NON-STOP BEGONIA	
IVY GERANIUMS	
POTATO VINE-GREEN	
DOUBLE IMPATIENS	
NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS	

	Gallon pot
	\$12.00
Coleus	
Double Impatiens	
Geraniums	
New Guinea Impatiens	

## SPECIALTY HANGING BASKETS

10 "FLOWERING HANGING BASKETS- IMPATIENS	\$13.00
Assorted	

TRAILING PETUNIAS-Mini	\$17.00
Assorted	

UPRIGHT GERANIUMS	\$17.00
Assorted	

BOSTON FERNS	\$17.00

NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS	\$17.00
Assorted	

IVY GERANIUMS	\$17.00
Assorted	

TRAILING PETUNIAS	\$17.00
Assorted	

COMBOS	\$17.00
verbena, bacopa & petunia assorted	

NOTE:  
RETURN ORDER FORM TO  
SAINT DAVID'S CHURCH  
By April 26, 2009

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
91 KINNELON ROAD  
Plants may be picked up the day of the sale.

# APRIL 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> 11:30 am Holy Eucharist 12:00 pm Lunch and Bible Study 4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih <b>Lenten Lecture Series</b> 6:15 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Eucharist 7:30 pm Lecture	<b>2</b> 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  7:30 pm Stewardship Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00 am Spring Clean up Day
<b>5 PALM SUNDAY</b> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 8:55 am Coffee Minute 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:15 am Church School 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:30 am Coffee Hour 6:30 pm Youth Group	<b>6</b> 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  7:30 pm Stations of the Cross	<b>7</b> 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  7:30 pm Book Group	<b>8</b>  4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih	<b>9</b> 12:15 pm Noonday Prayer  7:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service	<b>10 Good Friday Services</b> <b>12 Noon &amp; 7:30 pm</b> 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross	<b>11</b>  7:30 pm Easter Vigil & Baptism Reception
<b>12 EASTER DAY</b>  9:15 am Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Merry Heart 10:15 am Holy Eucharist	<b>13</b>  7:30 pm Women's Group	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 11:30 am Holy Eucharist 12:00 pm Lunch and Bible Study  4:00 pm Tai Chi Chih	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
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# St. David's Leadership Team

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

**Bishop:** *The Rt. Rev. Mark Beckwith*  
**Rector:** *The Rev. David J. DeSmith*  
**Senior Warden:** *Linda O'Connor*  
**Junior Warden:** *Caroline Mossip*

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*Nancy Ward (Clerk)*  
*Brian Bussey*  
*Nancy Hammaker*  
*Steve Kent*  
*Christine Rudolphi*  
*Marty Stanton*

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*Sexton*  
*Vision's Editor*

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