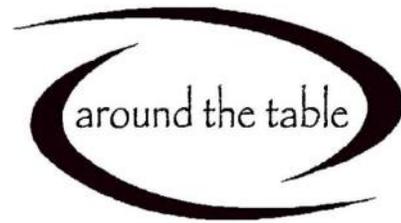


St. David's Episcopal Church

Love God, Love one Another

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June 5-6, 2021



Worship Opportunities

Worship services: Continuing on **ZOOM** and in-person

Saturday: 5:00 pm service will be **ZOOM** and in-person

Sunday: 10:30 am service will be **ZOOM** and in-person

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT GENERALLY, ON ZOOM, IF YOU CAN SEE AND HEAR US, WE CAN SEE AND HEAR YOU. PLEASE MUTE AND/OR TURN OFF YOUR VIDEO APPROPRIATELY

To join these services by desktop, laptop, tablet, iPad or smartphone with video, simply click on the following link ...

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4405751640?pwd=YmZMT09LMm1hVDhpbEdKMXPtTHVWQT09>

Meeting ID# 4405751640
Password is 3916SW17

To join this service by landline phone or smartphone without video, simply dial one of the following numbers and follow the instructions ...

1-253-215-8782, Enter the following when requested 4405751640#

1-346-248-7799, Enter the following when requested 4405751640#



On Saturday, **June 5** we begin our post-pandemic worship schedule:

Holy Eucharist at **5pm on Saturdays**, in-person and on Zoom

Holy Eucharist at **10:30am on Sundays**, in-person and on Zoom.

The Sunday service will be followed by coffee hour.

From your rector and vestry: For the safety of those who are unvaccinated, especially our children, you are asked to wear a mask during worship. If you are fully vaccinated and choose not to wear a mask, please keep social distance from others, especially children.

Coffee Hour resumes on June 6! Please sign up to help with this important ministry!

Mother Vicki +

DOORSTEP UPDATE

Doorstep has been assisting with clothing and hygiene items needed for the new state of the art trailer that will provide showers, laundry, and restrooms to Topeka's unsheltered population and other individuals. This is the first component to the Mobile Access Partnership which is the collaboration of Valeo Behavioral Health and the Topeka Rescue Mission. Later this year, there will be a mobile food pantry and mobile health service unit. This is truly a collaborative effort of many agencies and churches in our community coming together to help the unsheltered and at-risk families and adults. While we have helped to stock the trailer with clothing so people can have a clean outfit after their shower, and smaller sized hygiene items. This is a big community effort, we are proud to be a part of it! Sharon Koepke 785-213-8802

Dear St David's folk,

The weekend of **June 5/6** we will be taking some big steps toward our new normal. At our May vestry meeting, on the recommendation of the rector, the vestry decided on the following worship schedule: **Saturdays at 5pm, in person and on Zoom, no music; Sundays at 10:30am in person and on Zoom with music and coffee hour.** For a very long time, St David's was blessed with a number of retired priests who helped maintain an extensive worship schedule. Since that is no longer the case, and 3 services every weekend is a great deal to ask of one priest, we have agreed to this new schedule.

Beginning the first weekend in June, we will resume using 2 lectors at our 10:30am service and coming to the altar rail to receive communion in one kind (per diocesan regulations). Those who prefer to continue to receive spiritually will be invited to say the prayer for that while communion is distributed. We will not be using acolytes or eucharistic ministers until fall.

Vestry also had an extensive discussion about wearing masks. In his letter to the Romans (14:13) Paul talks about the impact of our choices on others. Though he is talking about eating food offered to idols, his words are relevant to our decisions about masks. Paul writes: *Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead to never put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of another... if your brother or sister is being injured by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love.* Choosing to walk in love, our decision for the next few months is that **for the safety of those who are not vaccinated, especially our children, wearing masks during worship is strongly recommended. If you are fully vaccinated and choose not to wear a mask please keep social distance from those who are not vaccinated, especially children.**

For many reasons, we will not be resuming breakfast now, and perhaps permanently. The breakfast ministry has been a tremendous blessing to our parish but those who have made it work for over 20 years are tired and need to be freed from this responsibility.

Please know that your rector and vestry are working prayerfully and carefully to make these decisions. We realize that not everyone will agree with all these choices but we ask that we all extend the grace and love of Christ to one another. We are all in this together and we will make our way forward together.

In Jesus' Name,

Mother Vicki+

SERVANTS SHOP

Hallelujah! Spring is here, church is opened and the **Servants Shop** is springing into action. We have lots of new jewelry for those special occasions and lots of other new spiritual items. Also please remember that memorial donations may also be given to the servants shop. We have the appropriate papers for you to fill out for that need. Rejoice and be glad in it!