

# The Cornerstone

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### Words from the Senior Warden

Our Diocese is continuing to formulate its Mission Strategy. It is a way to intentionally move forward in our Diocese by forming disciples of Jesus, following Jesus. Elsewhere in this edition you will see Strategy #2. It's a way for large churches to share their knowledgeable persons with small churches. Many times we (St. David's) have wished for a parishioner with a knowledge of law, or trusts, or QuickBooks. When this Strategy is put

you provide for your church?

Carolyn Beranek  
Senior Warden

### Mission Strategies: #2

These can be found on the Diocese of NC webpage:

<https://www.episdionc.org/mission-strategy-congregational-vitality/>

#### *"Congregational Vitality*

*To walk with and support our parishes and missions, and thereby to ensure that every church and ministry is equipped and connected, creating a*

*strong foundation from which to offer their gifts to the wider world. We recognize there is vitality present and ready to be tapped in all congregations, regardless of size or location. We also know that none of the priorities will be accomplished in this diocese without active, energetic congregations.*

*Goal 1: Unite congregations, worshiping communities, and networks (formal and informal).*

*Goal 2: Develop "Faithful Futures" resources for*



into place, persons with that knowledge who wish to help their fellow Episcopalians will have a method to assist and to support them. That is the power of the collective whole. Those with particular knowledge or skills share. That's what we do when we live in community. What skills or knowledge can

*financially struggling congregations; convene and host gatherings to share ideas, build momentum, and provide financial resourcing to communities throughout the diocese.*

*Goal 3: Increase collaboration between youth department and the wider diocesan team and increase connections among diocesan leaders and congregational leaders for the purposes of learning, community, mutual encouragement, and growing youth ministry in the Diocese of North Carolina.*

*Goal 4: Focus on development of Lay Ministry and Lay Professional Ministry and Lay Commission on Ministry; expand capabilities—with a particular focus on lay leadership—through the sacred practices of prayer, discernment, trying on new missional experiments, and growing as disciples (formed) and apostles (sent) to fully engage God's mission.*

*Goal 5: Develop guidelines and possible new canonical structure for "What constitutes a parish or worshiping community in the Diocese of North Carolina?" Consider establishment of a "third category" for officially recognizing communities to augment parish and mission structure; Timeline: 2-5 years."*

Carolyn Beranek

## Thank You

David Adams for coordinating the Red Cross Blood Drive  
Blood donors  
SEarCH Breakfast cooks and servers  
RCC for fixing the driveway entrance/exit at the school

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**Find St. David's on the Web:**

**<https://stdavidslaurinburgnc.org/>**

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## September Birthdays

September 6 Harry Abernathy, Marcella Love  
September 10 Joshua Lewis  
September 17 Weston Cook  
September 18 Page Pratt  
September 21 Matthew McDuffie  
September 27 Mary Jo Adams  
September 28 Ben Drymon  
September 29 Loretta Baranek, Traci Chapman  
September 30 Mickey Fedak, Celia Heffern



## September Anniversaries

September 27 Richard and Jeanne Morse

## Monthly Potluck News

It was back to school as our theme, and much nostalgia on the mind. What was there to eat? Plenty! Mashed red potatoes, and cabbage, vegan corn pudding, all beef hot dogs with all the fixings (beans, slaw, chili), homemade mac'n cheese, turkey Salisbury steak and gravy, wings, pork roast, pasta salad, brownies, angel food cake with strawberries and whipped cream and coconut pie, and melon balls and orange congealed salad. Some of the memories came from meals we ate at home, and some from school cafeteria food.

Next potluck is 9/14 and the theme is: September Song.

Carolyn Beranek

## SEarCH Breakfast

We had a good breakfast to start the teachers and staff on their year. Three different casseroles and biscuits and several fruit bowls along with drinks. The staff each received a small goodie bag of sweet and savory treats and there were twelve door prizes for fun. Thanks to Lindsey Terrell and Linda Tapia for setup and Kyle Bethel, John and Carolyn Beranek, Minor Glenn, Janet Gentes, Carol Whitehead and Eric Williamson for serving breakfast and cleanup afterwards.

Carolyn Beranek



## Blood Drive

Blood is in short supply during the summer months, but we helped with blood. The Red Cross had a goal of 20 units for our Friday afternoon Drive but we topped out at 23! That's a lot of good folk saving lives in our community.

Carolyn Beranek

### Contributions for The Cornerstone

The Cornerstone deadline is the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month. All articles are invited.

Please email articles to bonami12@bellsouth.net. The Cornerstone editor is Bonnie Glenn.

## Words to Ponder

I read this quote and thought of St. David's.

*"We need you. All of us who labor together in the far fields of the sacred, in the narrow streets where justice is seldom seen, in the shadow lands between hope and resignation: we need you. We need your determination not to quit. We need your sense of humor, your wisdom grown from experience, your willingness to share what you have. When you must step away from us you are missed. When you come through the door you are like good news walking. We need you and are ever grateful that you have made this community your home."*

- Bishop Steven Charleston

Submitted by a Parishioner

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# September Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Handbell Choir Practice, 7pm	2	3
4 Bishop Ann's Visit  Christian Formation, 10am  Holy Eucharist, 11am  Parish Potluck, 12noon	5 Labor Day	6	7 Compline via Zoom, 7pm	8 Handbell Choir Practice, 7pm  Choral Choir Practice, 8pm	9 Day of Caring - United Way of Scotland County	10 Handbell Choir Practice, 11am  Choral Choir Practice, 11:45am  Full Harvest Moon
11 Patriot Day  Grandparents Day  Christian Formation, 10am  Handbell and Choral Choir Practice, 10:40am  Holy Eucharist, 11am	12	13	14 Compline via Zoom, 7pm  Parish Potluck, 6pm Compline, 7pm	15 Handbell Choir Practice, 7pm	16	17 Constitution Day
18 Christian Formation, 10am  Morning Prayer, 11am	19 Church Newsletter Deadline	20	21 International Day of Peace  Compline via Zoom, 7pm	22 First Day of Fall  Handbell Choir Practice, 7pm	23	24
25 Christian Formation, 10am  Holy Eucharist, 11am	26	27	28 Compline via Zoom, 7pm	29 Handbell Choir Practice, 7pm	30	

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