



# The Herald

FEBURARY 2017

**MISSION OF THE MONTH: DEC. HEAT/ FEEDING THE CHILDREN OF HAITI**

## **Celebrating Our “Making It Official”**

Dear Friends at St. David’s,

On the weekend of July 23-24, 2016, the congregation graciously voted to call me to be your pastor, and on Monday, October 10th, I had my first day in the office. Since then, I’ve been performing the pastoral duties of the church and getting to know the people and ministry at St. David’s. However, I still haven’t yet been officially “installed” into the position.

In many ways, in this time between my being elected and being officially installed, I’ve been serving as your “Pastor-Elect.” And in this transition time, my family and I have moved into a white house (the parsonage of Ascension Lutheran in Franklin Square), I have been busy filling up my cabinet (with files and books), and I’ve been engaged in a “listening tour” to start imagining future possibilities for our life together.

But the time has come to make it official. So on **Sunday, February 12th at 3:00 p.m.**, we’ll be having a special worship service for the “Installation of a Pastor” - which formally ritualizes and celebrates the beginning of a ministry and a relationship between a congregation and their newly called pastor (Please mark your calendars, because I’m pretty sure there won’t be a count-down clock for this on CNN). Then, following the service, there will be a light reception downstairs celebrating this new beginning (a kind of inaugural ball).

I hope you can make it as we make it official, and I’m excited to see where God will lead us and what God will accomplish through us in the years to come.

Rev. Micah Stumme

Pastor-Elect, for the time being

## **SEE YOU IN CHURCH-----**

Christmas has past, the New Year is here and the Winter is settling in, we have time to think about all the activities we had to put on hold over the last few months, and hopefully the weather will cooperate.

Our worship schedule has returned to normal - Saturday evening at 5:30 P.M., Sunday morning at 9:00 A.M. along with Sunday Church School and again at 11:00 A.M., all services with Holy Communion.

Plans are being made for Pastor Stumme's installation on Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 P.M, please watch for future information in the weekly bulletin. A reception will follow the service, reservations will be necessary; everyone will be notified as to the final plans.

On Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> the WELCA Bible Study will be held at Our Redeemer in Seaford, with Pastor Klose, at 10:00 A.M.

## **LOOKING AHEAD -----**

March 1<sup>st</sup>. is Ash Wednesday, services will be held at 12:00 P.M. and again at 7:30 P.M., both services with Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Worship Committee.

### **Help Wanted, No Experience Necessary.**

Will train: ushers, greeters, lectors, communion assistants, flexible schedule-Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Compensation and benefits are out of this world. No need to send your resume, just call – Jo-Ann Justus 541-7127 or e-mail: [justusjandj@verizon.net](mailto:justusjandj@verizon.net)

**It's Me, It's Me, It's Me, O Lord**  
**Standing in the Need of Prayer**

On the **First Weekend** of the month, Pastor Micah will be offering a brief time for individual prayers of healing and anointing after each of our weekend's worship services. So come, join the community for worship, and then stay afterwards a little bit to bring any special prayer concerns to God.

**Youth Choir**

Kids in grade 3 and up are invited to join our youth choir led by Miss Bethany. Practice is after Sunday School, 10:15AM to 10:30AM, weekly, upstairs in the Children's Church. This is during fellowship hour, so parents can have a cup of coffee and socialize while kids practice. Please join us.

**Communicating**

Help us to maintain regular communication with you and provide you with good pastoral care by keeping our office up date with your current address and contact information.

Also, please let the office know if...

- a baby is born in your family.
- you wish to be baptized or have a child baptized.
- you wish to learn about Sunday School or confirmation.
- you wish to be married.
- you wish to be prayed for.
- you would like to learn about joining St David's.
- you are ill or hospitalized.
- you wish to receive communion at home.
- you need a ride to worship.
- a family member dies.

**Another Reminder: Our Annual Meeting** will take place on **Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**. There will be only **one service at 9:00 a.m.**, with refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. All Reports are due in **A.S.A.P.**

**Birthdays**

We'd love to mail you a card on your birthday, to remember what God has done so far in and

through your life since you were born. Please email your name and birthday to Rev Juanita at [revjuanita@aol.com](mailto:revjuanita@aol.com). (don't worry. we won't publish your birthday to the world)

### **Giving Made Easy**

Do you want to simplify your giving? With a simple process, your offering can be transferred automatically from your bank account or credit card once each month. It's easy. On our website front page is a colored button labeled DONATE or GIVE. When you click it, you are taken through a menu where you create an online profile with your address, account number, and offering amount. Your information is safe and secure and you have full control to stop or change your offering at any time. If you have any questions, just ask Treasurer Anne Anderson or Pastor.

**Have you looked at our website recently?** You can catch-up on all that is going on at St. David's! You can get back issues of *The Herald*; see the *Worship Assistants Schedule* (Ushers, Greeters, Assisting Ministers, Communion Assistants, Lectors and Acolytes) and if you can't make it to the week church services, you can read the *News & Notes* and the *Calendar* schedule at: [stdavidslutheran.net](http://stdavidslutheran.net).

### **Men's Lunch**

We will meet again on Tuesday, February 14th at 12:00pm. Please meet us at the Corner Galley on Merrick Road.

### **Come and Work Out with Lois Gaiti.**

Are you having trouble moving your body, do you feel blah Come down to our exercise classes. Help yourself and help your Church too. The classes will get your body moving and stretched. You do as much as you can.

#### **Aerobics:**

**Every Tuesday at 7:30pm.** Low impact increases cardio vascular efficiency, flexibility and tones your body.

#### **Stretch and Tone:**

**Every Wednesday at 10:00am.**

We use chairs for balance and sit on to do various exercises. The exercises are designed to increase your flexibility. So again, help yourself and help our Church. All donations collected go directly to St David's.

Wear sneakers, comfortable clothing, a water bottle and light weights. Also bring a mat for the aerobics classes.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please call me (Lois Gaiti) at (516) 798-615.

### **Fellowship Hour Schedule for February 2017, is as follows:**

2/5/17 Worship, 2/12/17 Education, 2/19/17 Social Ministry,

2/26/17 Fellowship/LBS Needed supplies include Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks, Cookies, Cake

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# Upcoming Dates of Interest

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## **The First Weekend of Each Month**

Individual prayers of healing and anointing are offered after each of our weekend's worship services. So come, join the community for worship, and then stay afterwards a little bit to bring any special prayer concerns to God.

### **Sunday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> "Souper Bowl" Sunday**

On the day of the world celebrates the "Big Game," help us remember and help those who don't have much food or much to celebrate with our special offering to fight hunger.

### **Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Pastor's Installation**

Join the festival worship service and reception, as we celebrate the official start of this new ministry together.

### **Sunday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> Shrove Tuesday on a Sunday**

Between services, the Education Committee hosts a pancake feast before our Lenten fast.

### **Wednesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> Ash Wednesday**

Worship services with Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes at 12:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

### **Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Youth Soup Supper & Lock-in**

After worship, the youth host a soup supper for the congregation, and then they spend the night at church playing games, watching movies, and having fun.

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# News to Know

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## Annual Meeting Highlights

St. David's had their Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 22nd, and here are the highlights:

- The sandwiches were delicious.
- The 2017 budget was approved.
- John Mast, Carol Scheuer, and Joe Tarry were elected to serve on Church Council, and Anne Anderson was re-elected to a second term.
- A presentation and discussion took place about the new parsonage study, outlining the ministry and financial rationale behind the process. In the coming months, after details and bids are more finalized, a special congregational meeting will be called to vote on whether to proceed.
- For those unable to attend, Annual Reports may be picked up in the narthex (the back of the church).

## Men's Lunch

Join us for good food and good fellowship at the Corner Galley (5411 Merrick Rd.) on Tuesday, February 14th at 12:00pm.

## Giving Made Easy

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## In Case of Bad Weather

Some weekend, if Long Island is hit by a bad snow storm, and you are unsure of the travel conditions, before you venture out, please call the church office (516 799-7832). We'll be sure to try and have a message on the answering machine about our worship schedule. Thank you.

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### **Growing E-mail List**

As we continue to try to improve our sharing of news and information, we are trying to grow our list of e-mail addresses. With last month's Annual Congregational meeting, we sent out a reminder e-mail. If you didn't receive that e-mail from the church, please send an email to Pastor Micah ([pastormicahs@aol.com](mailto:pastormicahs@aol.com)), and we'll add your address to our list. Thanks.



*With thanks to all who remembered or honored their friends and loved ones with gifts to our funds this month:*

**Memorial Fund:**

**In Loving Memory Of:**

Nick Ewen Sr, by George Von Duering, Francis VonDuring by George VonDuering, The Gordons by Carol Nitowitz, Mike Ahlers by The Ahlers Family  
Walter Otten by Dorothy Brunner

**IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, PLEASE REMEMBER: + KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED, ILL OR RECOVERING:**

Mark Ives, Steven Perry, Giselle Hubbert, Auburn Volz, Ryan & Casey, Phillip Annunziato, Hanna Bissig, Ester Hansen, Fred Mueller, Jill Ewen, Walter Peterson, Yvonne D, Nancy Burpee, Tina Zimmerman, Sandra Hall, Bob Gfererer, Donna Polimeni, Kylie Lauren & Matthew Taylor Sapanski, Alexia Fink, Harry Thomas Bruel, Bob Roth Jr. William Whamby, Anita & John Grube, Ted Ho, Norman Hall, Louise Mollendorf, Karen Naylor, Wilson Valentin, Nancy Michaelis, Jay Leone, Nicholas Lagravinese, Bill Geis, Joe Gaiti, Diana Bruu, Ruth DiSilva, Len Schiede, Chris Brickner, Susan Mast Trinder, Mildred Ulrich, Louise Landkammer, Connie Schildt, Ed & Emma Schneider.

We continue to pray for our armed forces as they continue to stand in harm's way in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Africa and throughout the world. May God bless them and their families.

Names will remain on the list until the end of each month. If prayers are still requested for the following month, please advise Mary Ann in the office at the beginning of each month.

**+THOSE WHO MOURN THE PASSING OF:** Walter Otten.





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**Come – Worship with Us at St. David's!**

**Our Fall/Winter schedule**

**Worship Services with Holy Communion**

**Every Saturday at 5:30pm**

**Every Sunday at 9:00 & 11:00am**

*Interpretation for the Deaf at the 9:00am service*

**Sunday School Classes every Sunday at 9:00am**

**Confirmation Classes every Wednesday, from 7-8**

**Sunday School registration still being accepted.**

**Fellowship/Refreshments from 10:15am to 11:15am**

*Fully Wheelchair Accessible*

**Preschool Registration still being accepted**

**Little Lamb Mommy & Me 18 months - 2 1/2**

**Preschool ages 2 1/2—4yrs old**

**Call Mrs. Robin Lever (Preschool Director) @ (516) 799-5824**

**The Herald**

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**Submissions for March**

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**February 15th.**

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