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News & Events

ArtReach to Benefit Advent Outreach and Missions



ArtReach 2009 will happen Thursday, October 22, 5:30-8:00 p.m. in Clingman Commons. The auction event will support the Advent's mission work both locally and abroad. A wide variety of artwork will be up for bid, as well as items such as trips, jewelry, gift certificates, and more. Drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided, and childcare will be available. Admission is \$20. For more information, see "Serving & Outreach" on page 2.

Charles Kennedy at Midday October 23

Advent Music Associate Charles Kennedy will present an organ recital as the Midday Musical Menu series continues on Friday, October 23, 12:30 p.m. in the Nave. For more information see "Making Music" on page 3.

Make-Up Day Set for Photo Directory

If you haven't had a picture taken for the next parish photo directory, come to Clingman Commons on Sunday, October 25, any time from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. No appointment necessary. For details see page 2.



A Word from Canon Kinner

One year ago this month I was diagnosed with breast cancer. That event and many others in the course of this past year are reminders that life can change in the blink of an eye and that all the things we think are certain can dissolve in an instant. To quote a country song by Joe Nichols, "Unsinkable ships sink... Sometimes the things you think could never happen, Happen just like that... I've learned to never underestimate the impossible."

It's the truth. The impossible is sometimes wonderful and sometimes terrible, but the things that we thought couldn't happen to us are happening all the time. Jobs are lost, children are born, loved ones die, someone wins the lottery, and healthy people get cancer.

That's life, because this life is shattered by sin. When we build our lives around the things of this world, we are building on

shifting sand, because the impossible does indeed happen, and houses built on shifting sand crumble in the storms of life.

There is only one solid foundation upon which to build a life. It's something that I've preached about a lot, but that I came to know in a new and personal way this last year. The ONLY truly solid foundation in this world is Jesus. He was there with me when my unsinkable ships sank and he brought me out of the waters of fear. He pulled me off of the shifting sands and set my feet on the solid rock of his mercy and love. He turned my eyes to the cross and filled my heart and mind with the absolute truth that whatever happened he would never let go of me and I would never be separated from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Unsinkable ships do sink. The impossible does happen. One thing remains sure - Jesus, who is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

- Heidi

Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock."

- St. Matthew 7:24, 25

This Sunday:

October 18, 2009

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Services:

7:30 a.m. Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Canon Kinner will preach at all morning services.

5:00 p.m. Evening Service

Preacher: Canon Smalley

Adult Education: 10:10 - 10:50 a.m.

The Dean's Class (Refectory) - *The Gospel According to Isaiah: Isaiah 55-66 - The Servants of the Servant* - Mark Gignilliat

The Vice Dean's Class (Day School Library) - *Eavesdropping on a Divine Conversation: John 17* - Vice Dean Harper

Newcomers' Class (Living Room) - *How Does the Holy Spirit Fit In?* - Barry McRae

Young Adults' Class (Chapter Room) - *Revisiting the One Verse Wonders (Proverbs 3:5)* - Gil Kracke

Trinity Bible Study (An Open Study of Joshua) (Diocesan Conference Room) - Jon Harbuck and Steve Tilghman

4:00-4:45 p.m.:

Gospel Christianity Class (Living Room) - Canon Smalley

The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast live on WXJC 850 AM, 92.5 FM, and www.850WXJC.com.

Sermon text and audio are available on our website, www.AdventBirmingham.org.

Children's & Youth Education:

Classes are offered for three-years and older. See Sunday's service leaflet for details. Nurseries are open 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Lectionary:

Psalms 104:1-9, 25, 37b or Psalm 91:9-16

Job 38:1-7, (34-41) or Isaiah 53:4-12

Hebrews 5:1-10

St. Mark 10:35-45



GET INVOLVED! SEE WHAT'S GOING ON!



servicing & outreach

ArtReach 2009

Auction Event Benefiting Outreach Happens October 22

ArtReach, an evening of fine art, unique gifts, and heavenly music, will be Thursday, October 22, 5:30-8:00 p.m. in Clingman Commons. Proceeds from the silent auction event will benefit Advent's outreach and mission work locally and abroad.



Artwork from many talented artists will be on display, including Kate Parks, Mary Mellen, Clayton Colvin, George Thompson, Pat Carroll, Janet Lucas, Trent Caddis, Teeny Brannon, Maud Belser, Catherine Pittman Smith, Ann Chambless, Lauren and Mike Deibert, and many others. Also up for bid will be mosaics created by Barbara Partridge and Vacation Bible School participants as well as jewelry, a beach vacation, quail hunts, gift certificates, theater tickets, and much more. Raffle tickets for a designer Victorian dollhouse (\$10) will be available in Clingman Commons this Sunday, October 18, and during the event.

Adult admission is \$20 and includes wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres. A children's program with dinner and art projects will be available, with ages five and under in the Nursery and older children in the Refectory. To make childcare reservations, please call 443-8552.

For more information please call Margaret Aderholt (714-9895), Mary Smith (956-5991), or Janet Lucas (879-6816).

Preparing for Worship...

Please observe quiet in the Nave preceding services so as not to disturb prayer and quiet reflection in preparation for worship. Also, please silence cell phones before and during services.

This Is UTO Sunday

The United Thank Offering began in 1989 and is collected twice a year. It is one way we give thanks for the everyday blessings of life while providing blessings for others with urgent needs. UTO will be collected October 18 at all three morning services. Look for the blue envelopes.

Make-Up Day for Photo Directory Set for October 25

The last chance to have a picture taken for the parish photo directory will be Sunday, October 25, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Clingman Commons. Quick and easy, no appointment necessary. *No old photos will appear in the new directory*, so please have a new one made if you missed the sessions held in September.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed. - Isaiah 53:5



spiritual growth & fellowship

EYC

This Sunday...

Jr. High EYC will meet at Yogurt Mountain (3000 Cahaba Village Plaza, near Whole Foods and Maki Fresh) this Sunday, October 18, 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Sr. High EYC also will meet at Yogurt Mountain this Sunday, October 18, at 4:15 p.m.

For more information on Advent Youth Ministries, contact Cameron Cole (226-3545, cameron@cathedraladvent.com) or Ginger Mayfield (443-8563, ginger@cathedraladvent.com).

Men of the Advent

A Gathering with the Dean October 27

Please join Dean Frank Limehouse and fellow men of the Advent on Tuesday, October 27, 5:30 p.m. at the downtown Wine Loft. Frank will share his thoughts on men's ministry as ushers at the Advent, and there will be time for some relaxed fun and fellowship, light food, and beverages. The Wine Loft is located at 2200 First Avenue North. Please RSVP to belindae@brownelltravel.com or call 414-1681.

St. Fiacre Garden Guild

Fall Planting: St. Fiacre Garden Guild will do its fall planting at the Advent Tuesday and Wednesday, October 27 and 28, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please bring your trowel. For more information, call Nancy Poynor at 879-8848.

Guild Meeting

St. Amelia's Guild will meet for lunch Monday, October 26, 11:30 a.m. at the home of Amanda Stringfellow, 2712 Woodridge Road. Shirley Anne Stringfellow will speak. All young women of the Advent are welcome! For more information, please call Laura Steele at 370-7172.

Faith Alive

Testimonials (A Series)

"More than anything else was the commitment and selflessness of the team that made the Faith Alive Weekend what it was. The team members embodied and shared the faith they so effectively expressed in and through their presentations. Their prayerful support of one another prior to presentations effectively modeled 'prayer as a way of life.' The power and importance of prayer in community was constantly implicit in and through their own prayerfulness."

- The Rev. Rick Oberheide

Grace Episcopal Church, Sheffield, Alabama

The Faith Alive weekend will be January 29-31, 2010. For more information, contact Miriam or Clay Morris: 970-0237, 335-4243, or jcmmbm@charter.net.



“Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of the Lord which he obtained with his own blood.” Acts 20:28



making music

Midday Musical Menu

Charles Kennedy in Recital October 23

Charles M. Kennedy, Advent Music Associate will present an organ recital Friday, October 23, 12:30 p.m. in the Nave. The Midday Musical Menu offering will include music by Orlando Gibbons, Felix Mendelssohn, J. S. Bach, and Herbert Howells. Dr. Kennedy will perform on the 100-rank Grieb-Williams Organ. You are cordially invited to this free, 30-minute recital.



Children's and Youth Choirs

Join in the Musical Fun!

We're holding a place for you. Contact Sharon Benefield at 871-1914 or sharon@cathedraladvent.com to find out more about children's and youth choirs. Rehearsals are held at Advent Park, 201 Office Park Drive, Suite 110. Here is the rehearsal schedule:

St. Nicholas Choir (Grades 1 and 2): Wednesdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Gabriel Choir (Grades 3-6): Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Youth Ensemble (Grades 7 and up): Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Make-up Rehearsals for St. Nicholas and Gabriel: Mondays, 3:30-4:00 p.m.

memorials:

Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

Matthew Lee Huffaker: (Endowment Fund) by Lydia and Taylor Pursell

George B. Elliott: (Outreach) by Charlotte Murdock; Lenora S. McCalley

Vida Marie Kinner: (Outreach) by Charlotte Murdock

Richard O'Connell: (Outreach) by Charlotte Murdock

Frank L. Thompson, Jr.: (Outreach) by Charlotte Murdock

Robert B. Hezlep, Jr.: (Outreach) by Alice M. Bowsher

Lewis M. Stewart: (Outreach) by Alice M. Bowsher

Dorothy Elaine Gundersen: (Music Discretionary Fund) by Sam Urme; Randy and Rosemary Ham; Paula Fleming; Chris Chrisenberry

Charles Ronald Shoe: (Music Discretionary Fund) by Ronald V. Shoe

stewardship

Giving by the Grace of God

The answers to many questions vary depending on the time at which they are posed. What's your favorite movie? What's your favorite song? Who's your girlfriend? Such is the case with me and the question of why I give. Twenty-plus years ago, the answer was easy: "I don't." A few years later, the answer was just as easy: "My wife tells me I should." Leap ahead a few more years and another easy answer: "God tells me I should."

These days, I do give, but not because anyone, neither my wife nor God, is telling me I should. You might argue that after all these years, I have become conditioned to giving, that it has become habit. That argument fails, however. For people (like me) who throw nickels around as if they were manhole covers, spending never becomes habit; it's a deliberate, intentional act. No, the motivation, if you can call it that, is something else, something entirely different. I am convinced that I now give because God has removed the law of giving from my heart and replaced it with his grace, *allowing* me to give, rather than compelling me to give.

On the practical side, I know that my tithe to The Advent is a wise investment, not just in The Advent itself, but in the lives of those who are blessed to partake of its many ministries. I also know that although the money I give will be spent in many different ways, it will be spent with only one goal: to facilitate the preaching and teaching of the Gospel to our broken world. - Lee Pope



education

Book Group

The Advent Book Group will meet next on Wednesday, November 11, when it will discuss Thornton Wilder's *Heaven's My Destination*. New participants are always welcome. For more information, call John Adams at 321-1236.



book store

Works by Carol McCrady

Carol McCrady is the only artist in North America who grows, processes, and paints papyrus with sacred images as they were once produced in medieval Europe. Hailed by curators and fellow artists as a Renaissance painter in the Byzantine and Celtic styles, her original pieces often require several months to complete. Carol grew up on a dairy farm, retreating to the basement to sketch. She studied sociology and art at the Minnesota Institute of Science and Arts. In 2006 Carol moved from Enterprise to Madison, Alabama. We are blessed to have her in our midst. Please come down and see her framed pieces which we have in the store.

Book Store hours are Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Sunday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Contact us: 323-2959, ebinfo@episcobooks.com. Visit us any time: www.episcobooks.com.



calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 18 Regular worship schedule EYC: Jr. High @ 3:15 p.m.; Sr. High @ 4:15 p.m.	19 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m.	20 Young Adult Bible Study - Chapter Room - 11:30 a.m.	21 Holy Communion - Chapel - 12:05 p.m.	22 Vice Dean's Bible Study - 7:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study - 11:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Conf. Rm. - noon ArtReach - Clingman - 5:30 p.m.	23 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m. Midday Musical Menu - Nave - 12:30 p.m.	24
Oct 25 Regular worship schedule Photo Directory Make-Ups - Clingman - 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	26 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m.	27 Garden Guild Fall Planting - 9:30 a.m. Young Adult Bible Study - Chapter Room - 11:30 a.m. Men's Gathering - Wine Loft - 5:30 p.m.	28 Holy Communion - Chapel - 12:05 p.m.	29 Vice Dean's Bible Study - Chapter Room - 7:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Chapter Room - 11:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Conf. Rm. - noon	30 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m.	31

Every Sunday: Breakfast - Refectory, 8:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday: AA - Coe Conference Room, 12:00 p.m.

coming up:

•Time Change: Sunday, November 1, 2:00 a.m., Standard Time resumes - Set clocks back one hour

- Men's Ministry Luncheon: Thursday, November 5, Clingman Commons, noon
- Seniors' Ministry Luncheon: Tuesday, November 10, Clingman Commons, 11:30 a.m.

transitions:

Birth: Nell Elizabeth Donahue, daughter of David and Robin, on July 21

Baptism: Mallie Ireland Segars, daughter of Blake and Kat, on September 27

Death: Ann S. Schuler Aird, on October 5

memorials:

Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

Charles Bedingfield Lanier: (Music Discretionary Fund) by H. Mack Jolly; Sam Urmev; Eugene and Mary Lou Johnston; The Cathedral Choir

Jack Miller: (Altar Guild) by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ager

Carolyn Dickinson Tynes: (Altar Guild) by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ager

Linda Jeanne Bourquine: (Music Discretionary Fund) by Lyn Lanier and Roberta Lecznar

Mack Herrell and Evelyn Oliver Jolly: (Music Discretionary Fund) by H. Mack Jolly

In Thanksgiving for Richard Jacks and Randy Seay: (Music Discretionary Fund) by James H. Douglas

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