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## News & Events

### Parish-Wide Prayer Meeting Via Zoom July 6

All parishioners are invited to a prayer gathering to take place via the Zoom video app on Monday, July 6, at 7:15 p.m. Typically held the first Monday of each month, this hour-long meeting is set aside to pray for the Advent. As Dean Pearson wrote about these gatherings, "If we are not on our knees, we are trying to do ministry in our own strength. We know that apart from the Lord Jesus we can do nothing."

Visit [AdventBirmingham.org/News](http://AdventBirmingham.org/News) to get the Zoom link, and contact Margaret Pope ([Margaret@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Margaret@CathedralAdvent.com)) for more information. We hope you can join us.

### Now More Than Ever ... Small Groups

With the pandemic restricting our ability to gather together, small groups are, now more than ever, many people's primary contact with the church. We are working on forming new groups this summer. Please contact Fontaine Pope ([Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com), 205-443-8562) if you are interested in joining one. See page 2 for Sarah Gwin Moore's testimonial about her small-group experience.



## A Word from Canon Smalley

One man's trash is another man's treasure. Perhaps you're familiar with the saying. I might edit it to say, in light of recent experience, that one man's trash is the Smalley's treasure. Earlier in our collective lockdown, some people took the opportunity to clear out, and in this process numerous things from the roadside have come to live at our house, a lovely trio of wrought iron chaise lounges, for example.

Now not to run with this too much, but it reminds me of one of my favorite collects:

"O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

**We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.** - 2 Corinthians 4:8-10

- Craig

## The Next Two Sundays:

June 28 and July 5, 2020

Please join us for worship via streaming video at 9:00 a.m. Canon Smalley will preach on June 28, and Canon Schneider will preach on July 5. Visit [AdventBirmingham.org/Live](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Live), Facebook Live, Twitter, or YouTube to access our stream. To download a service bulletin, go to [AdventBirmingham.org/Worship](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Worship). We continue not gathering at the church.

**Adult Education:** 10:10 - 10:50 a.m. The Dean's Class will be available via streaming video the next two Sundays. Visit [AdventBirmingham.org/Live](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Live). Recordings of past classes are available on our website at [AdventBirmingham.org/Audio](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Audio).

### Children's & Youth Education:

Two resources are available for families with children. Family Sunday School lessons are posted online every week, and the Advent Christian Academy offers 30-minute lesson plans that align with the Advent's newly released Bible Benchmarks curriculum. Junior and Senior High youth gather every Sunday via Zoom for Christian education following the 9:00 a.m. service. Links to all can be found online at [AdventBirmingham.org](http://AdventBirmingham.org).

*The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast on [AdventBirmingham.org/Live](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Live). Sermon and class recordings are available at [AdventBirmingham.org](http://AdventBirmingham.org).*



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## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Advent Small Groups

#### A Source of Encouragement in My Walk With the Lord

I am so incredibly thankful for my Wednesday-night small group! Thanks to Zoom calls, they have been a group of consistency throughout these past couple of months! More importantly, beyond that, these incredible women have been a source of encouragement in my faith and walk with the Lord during this stage of my life. We come from all different backgrounds, and they are the first ones to listen with an open heart and give what they can, whether it is a line from Scripture or simply a helping hand. Lastly, I have loved the time that we have been able to share together in God's word. From Philippians to Psalms, it has been such a joy to study the Bible as God continues to reveal his love for us and our need for unity with him.



- Sarah Gwin Moore

### Youth Ministry



#### Youth Meeting for Dinner and Bible Study

Above: Senior High youth gathered for dinner and Bible study in Cameron's backyard on June 17.

All rising 10th through graduated 12th graders are invited to our weekly Senior High dinner and Bible study every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in Cameron's backyard (3821 Buckingham Lane, 35243). We meet outside at a social distance; bring your own dinner and utensils. Contact Rebecca ([Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com)) for details.

All rising 7th through 9th graders are invited to our weekly Junior High dinner and Bible study every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Woods' house (3041 Salisbury Road, 35213). Please bring your own dinner and utensils, as we meet outside at a social distance. Email [Tucker@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Tucker@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information.



## education

### One-Day Inquirers' Class

#### Interested in Church Membership? Come July 18

We invite you to attend our one-day Inquirers' Class on Saturday, July 18, 9:00-3:30 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). This adult education class will give you an idea of what the Advent believes and why we believe it so you can see if you want to make the Advent your church home. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to Fontaine Pope ([Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com), 205-443-8562), and she will give you your box-lunch options.

### Women's Bible Study

#### Come-When-You-Can Study Continues on Zoom

When God asks a question, it's not because he doesn't know the answer; it's because he wants us to think. Join Jane Menendez in a study called *Questions That Echo* on Wednesdays, 9:15-10:30 a.m. on the Zoom video app. The question for July 1 will be, "Do You Not Remember?" On July 8, the question will be "Should You Not Have Had Mercy...?"

Email Jane ([JLGMenendez@gmail.com](mailto:JLGMenendez@gmail.com)) or Fontaine Pope ([Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com)) to receive the Zoom link.

### Advent House Prayer Ministry

#### Prayer Sessions Available in Advent House Garden or Via Zoom

*"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation."*  
- Hebrews 11:1-2

*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."*  
- Hebrews 12:1-2

No matter what circumstances we face, what challenges we have, or what our feelings at the present time might be – fearfulness, anxiety, loneliness, hopelessness or despair – we can trust in the promises of God and his unchanging character, his mercy, his grace, his patience, his steadfast love and faithfulness. God prepared the way for us to come to him through the work of his Son Jesus Christ on the cross, his resurrection, and ascension. Christ is now seated on the throne of God, at the right hand of God, interceding for us.

In intercessory prayer ministry, we desire to glorify God and to encourage the faith of God's people. As prayer intercessors pray on behalf of those of us who come for prayer, they are praying to God, the Father, in the name of Jesus Christ – trusting in his grace and in his healing, redemptive, life-giving power, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Please contact Kathy Logue (205-410-4622, [Kathy@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Kathy@CathedralAdvent.com)) if you have questions about this ministry or want to schedule a prayer appointment. Currently, we may offer prayer sessions via Zoom or outside in the garden at the Advent House (2317 Arlington Avenue South, 35205).

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.  
- Ephesians 2:8-9

## Glenda Curry to Be Consecrated Bishop Coadjutor June 27

The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry (*right*) to serve as Bishop Coadjutor in the Diocese of Alabama will take place Saturday, June 27, 11:00 a.m. at the Advent. Due to the COVID pandemic, the service is not open to the public. It will be livestreamed, with the broadcast beginning at 10:45 a.m. You can watch the service on the diocesan website ([DioAla.org/BishopElect](http://DioAla.org/BishopElect)) or on the diocesan Facebook page. Please join us in praying for Dr. Curry as she begins her service as bishop in our diocese.



## Send Us Your Contact Updates

We're getting ready to update our Church Directory, and we'd love to keep you connected to our community. If you have changed your phone number(s) or address and haven't let us know, please contact Margaret Pope with the updated information ([Margaret@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Margaret@CathedralAdvent.com), 205-226-3510). Please indicate which phone number you would like to have listed as your primary number, or if you do not want a phone number listed in the directory at all.

## Sign Up for Parish-Wide Emails

Find the link to sign up at [AdventBirmingham.org/Coronavirus](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Coronavirus).

## Holiday Closings

The Church Office will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of Independence Day (July 4).

**Pastoral Notice:** If you are going into the hospital, have need of prayer or counsel, or have a family member unable to attend church, please call the Pastoral Care Office at 205-226-3500.

## Meet the Interns



Please welcome these interns, who are helping our Children, Youth, and Family Ministry work with our young people this summer: (*l-r*) Mary Allison Anderson, a rising Junior at Auburn University; Sarah Hyding, a rising Junior at the University of Alabama; and Ryan Shamblin, a rising Junior at Alabama.



## worship

### Lectionary

*Sunday, June 28:* Psalm 13 or Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18  
Genesis 22:1-14 or Jeremiah 28:5-9  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

*Sunday, July 5:* Psalm 45:11-18 or Psalm 145:8-15  
Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 or  
Zechariah 9:9-12 or Song of Solomon 2:8-13  
Romans 7:15-25a  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

## memorials:

### Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

**Barbara Anne Schroeder Oliver:** (Mission and Outreach) by Mary and Victor Hanson; Mr. and Mrs. Lee McWhorter Pope • (Endowment Fund) by Nancy and Ricky Bromberg; Bet Kesmodel; Cathy and Mell Duggan; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Andrews; St. Bridget's Guild • (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Sharp, Jr.

**William "Brother" Shelton Pritchard, Jr.:** (Endowment Fund) by Stanley Vircigilo; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. McGahey; Shelley and Jerry Clark; Josephine Camp Davis; Nancy Poynor; Jane and Harold Goings; Bea and Tim Healey; Dalton and Jon Blankenship; Camie Griffin; Lyndon and Ruth Pearson; Sue Camp Pritchard; Betty Grayson; Bama and David Mills • (Mission and Outreach) by Dr. and Mrs. Ken Botsford; Janet R. Hill • (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Patricia H. Blinn; Mrs. George B. Elliott

**Ann and Brother Pritchard:** (Endowment Fund) by Dan and Diane Matheson

**Jane McFadden:** (Garden Fund) by Frances Blount; Betsy and Jack Allison; Bama and David Mills

**Marleah Hobbs:** (Garden Fund) Sue Ellen and Mike Lucas

**James Henderson:** (Garden Fund) by Betsy and Jack Allison

**Dennis Morgan, Jr.:** (Endowment Fund) by the Reynolds Family

**Robert, Mary, and Troy Harbin:** (Garden Fund) by Cathy and Rod Harbin

**Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith:** (Endowment Fund) by Willard and Emily McCall

**Marian Hayne:** (Endowment Fund) by Arlene and Van Hayne

**Sid Coleman, Jr.:** (Endowment Fund) by John and Beaty Coleman

**Walter and Luke Satcher:** (Endowment Fund) by Vicki Satcher

**Martin Couch, Jr.:** (Garden Fund) by Anne Couch Burke

**Richard Smalley:** (Endowment Fund) by Charlie and Jane Sharp • (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Mr. and Mrs. William S. Pritchard, III • (Pastoral Care) by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Carroll; Mack Jolly

**In Thanksgiving for Calvin and Katrina Lemley:** (Endowment Fund) by Mr. and Mrs. Christian Lemley

**In Honor of Jane and Don Menendez:** (Mission and Outreach) by the Wednesday Small Group

## diocesan staff

The Rt. Rev. John McKee Sloan, Bishop of Alabama

## advent staff

The Very Rev. Andrew C. Pearson, Jr., Dean and Rector

The Rev. Canon R. Craig Smalley, Canon Pastor and Day School Chaplain

The Rev. Canon Matthew C. Schneider, Canon for Parish Life and Evangelism

The Rev. Canon Zac Hicks, Canon for Liturgy and Worship

The Rev. Katherine P. Jacob, Deacon

The Rev. Dr. Michael Weeks, Assisting Clergy

## transitions:

**Births:** Mae Louise Martin, daughter of Spencer and Kathleen, on May 28; FitzSimons Huger Stalvey, son of Mike and Ann, on June 4

**Marriage:** Vivian Givhan and Samuel Grimes, on June 6

**Deaths:** Barbara Brown Wood, on May 18; Johnnie Brown Richey, on June 2; Joan Johnston Thomas, on June 3

## memorials:

### Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

**Betty Powell:** (Music Discretionary Fund) by Shirley P. Wood

**Billy W. Spain:** (Mission and Outreach) by Elizabeth F. Spain

**Murray Berry Johnston:** (Mission and Outreach) by Elizabeth and Charles Scribner

**In Honor of Those Who Sing the Offertory:** (Music Discretionary Fund) by Cornelia LaRussa



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## calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 28 Streaming Worship - AdventBirmingham.org/Live - 9:00 a.m. Dean's Class will follow.	29 Facebook Live Prayers - 9:00 a.m.	30 Facebook Live Prayers - 9:00 a.m.	July 1 Online Disciple-Maker Training - 1:00 p.m. Sr. High Dinner/Bible Study - 3821 Buckingham Lane - 5:30 p.m.	2 Jr. High Dinner/Bible Study - 3041 Salisbury Road - 6:00 p.m.	3 Church Office closed (Independence Day observance)	4 Independence Day
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## A Note on Financial Support

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