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Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Week of April 17, 2022



News & Events

Sunday of the Resurrection: Happy Easter!

Easter is this Sunday, April 17, and we're excited to see you and your family and friends as we celebrate our risen savior Jesus Christ! We will hold Holy Communion services at 7:00 a.m. (not 7:30), 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. in the Nave. We will not hold a service in the Refectory this Sunday.

The Cathedral Choir, organ, brass, and timpani will lead music at the morning services; our band will lead music at 5:00 p.m. We will livestream the 9:00, 11:00, and 5:00 services.

Information on the Nursery and children's Sunday School is at the bottom of this page and on page 2.

Choral Evensong Service April 21

The Cathedral Choir will sing Choral Evensong on Thursday, April 21, 5:30 p.m. in the Nave. A sung version of the Evening Prayer service, Evensong is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. Its primary purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God through praise and prayer. Michael Weeks will be the Officiant. All are invited to come and worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness and find rest in the gospel message.



A Word from Canon Smalley

In my recent study of the Scriptures, there is a resonant theme of joy and encouragement. Even on days of dealing with the sadness and losses of this life, trial and fatigue, frustration and failure (of which there are many), the overwhelming certainty is one of joy. This joy is due to repeated revelation, whether reading in the Old Testament or New, that the glory of God is displayed in the way he shows unmerited mercy. God's power and glory are revealed in the way he mercifully seeks and saves us.

We are led through this reality in the worship of Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter. Though these times of worship reveal how quickly we turn from and turn on God, how we fail and misunderstand, they also reveal Jesus continuing toward and through the cross on our behalf. Jesus endures the shame and slavery of our sin

and briefly, yet agonizingly, the separation from God the Father as a result. God bears and absorbs his own saving wrath toward sin, addresses it fully and finally, so that we know the joys of being restored as his sons and daughters.

We live in the reality of unmerited mercy. Trials will come, suffering, uncertainty, loss, but these can no longer be the final word. Jesus is risen.

Thankfully, gloriously, God does not give us the final word. Our reality, even if we are not there emotionally, is hope and joy because the empty tomb and the risen Jesus speak the final word over the power of sin and death in all of their manifestations in our lives. The final word of the cross and resurrection is forgiven, paid in full. Alleluia. Christ is Risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

- Craig

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

- Romans 8:1

This Sunday:

April 17, 2022

7:00 a.m. Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Canon Smalley will preach at all services.

We will livestream the 9:00, 11:00, and 5:00 services.

Visit AdventBirmingham.org/Live,

Facebook Live, or YouTube to access our stream.

Adult Education:

Adult classes will not meet this Sunday, April 17. Classes will resume next Sunday, April 24.

Lectionary:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 or Psalm 114

Isaiah 65:17-25 or Acts 10:34-43

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

Children's & Youth Education:

On Easter, children in 3K and 4K will leave during the 9:00 service for Sunday School. Children in kindergarten and older will remain in church with their parents for the entire service; their classes will not meet.

The Nursery will be available for children ages 5 years and younger at the 7:00 a.m. service; for the Infants, Toddlers, and Twos classes at 9:00 a.m.; and for children ages 5 years and younger at the 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. services.



GET INVOLVED! SEE WHAT'S GOING ON!



education

Children's Ministry

For Children on Easter Morning

Children and their parents will flower the cross and leave Mite Boxes in the Nave upon arriving before the 9:00 a.m. service. (Mite Boxes may be dropped off before any service on Easter.) Please try to find a flower with a sturdy stem. Extra flowers will be available as needed.

Children and 3K and 4K will remain in church for part of the 9:00 service. During the singing of the hymn before the Gospel reading, children in 3K and 4K should meet Tara Davis at the door to the right of the pulpit. She will walk them to Clingman Commons to meet teachers who will take them to their classrooms. Children can be picked up at their regular classrooms (Rooms 109 and 110) at the conclusion of the service.

Children in kindergarten and older will attend the entire 9:00 service; their classes will not meet.

We look forward to celebrating the resurrection of our Lord with your children! For more information, contact Tara Davis (Tara@CathedralAdvent.com).

Thursday Morning Moms

Study Returning to Regular Time After Lent



Above l-r: Caroline Benefield, Morgan Scott with baby Beck, and Mary Jane McAllister at Thursday Morning Moms

With the conclusion of Lent, the Thursday Morning Moms Bible study for mothers of young children will resume its regular time, 9:30-11:00 a.m., starting Thursday, April 21, in the Living Room at the Advent.

This group offers Scripture study, fellowship, and encouragement with other moms of little ones. Led by Director of Women's Ministries Leslie Housman, the group is currently studying the Gospel according to Matthew. New participants are welcome to join any time. Childcare is available as needed by our professional nursery staff. Please contact Leslie Housman (Leslie@CathedralAdvent.com) with questions or to jump in!

Advent House: Intercessory prayer is on-going through the Advent House Prayer Ministry. To schedule a prayer session at Advent House, call Kathy Logue at 205-410-4622.



serving & outreach

Delivering Easter Lilies

Share Easter Joy with a Homebound Parishioner



We need volunteers to deliver Easter lilies to our parishioners who are unable to attend services. The lilies and easy-to-follow directions can be picked up following the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter (April 17), and then delivered any time that day. You do not have to make your delivery immediately following the service. This is a wonderful way to meet other parishioners and to share the good news of Easter! To volunteer or for more information,

contact Stella Schreiber (Stella@CathedralAdvent.com, 205-443-8558).



making music

Concert Series

Cathedral Choir to Perform Monumental 40-Part Tallis Motet May 7

Thomas Tallis' monumental motet *Spem in alium nunquam habui* comprises 40 separate vocal parts – a combination of eight five-voice choirs. Scholars debate when and why it was written; some even believe it was composed as a dare of sorts. The Cathedral Choir will again join forces with the Choir of St. George's Church, Nashville, to perform the motet in both Birmingham and Nashville. It is a spectacle to experience this work sung live, so please join us Saturday, May 7, 3:00 p.m. at the Advent for a concert featuring this work as well as others by Tallis.

Midday Music

Series to Conclude with Flutist Angela Massey

Our 2021-2022 Midday Music series will conclude on Friday, April 29, at 12:30 p.m. with a free, 30-minute program in Clingman Commons by Angela Massey, flute, and Chee-Hang See, piano. The program will include music by Georges Hüe, Sergei Prokofiev, and British composer Matt Smith.

Based in Florida, Angela Massey has performed throughout the United States as well as in Europe. She serves as Artistic Director and founder of the Astralis Chamber Ensemble, arranging and performing numerous recitals each year. She also performs regularly with the Sarasota Orchestra. Her debut album, *The Elements* with pianist Vahan Sargsyan, was released in 2014.

The concert will be livestreamed on AdventBirmingham.org/Live and our associated digital platforms, and be made available for later listening at any time. Please do not miss the opportunity to enjoy a half-hour of beautiful music!

[Jesus prayed the Father] "As you sent me into the world, so I have sent [those you have given me] into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth." - John 17:18-19



spiritual growth & fellowship

Ageless Adventers

Third Wednesday Luncheons to Resume April 20

Please join the Ageless Adventers for lunch and a program on Wednesday, April 20, noon at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). Whether you are still actively working, newly retired, or have been enjoying flexibility for decades, you are welcome! To RSVP or for more information, contact Stella Schreiber (Stella@CathedralAdvent.com), 205-443-8558).

Women's Ministries

Join Us in "The Middle" April 21

"I can't go the mall without my walkman/leg warmers/jelly shoes!"
"May I please finish my homework after I watch *Family Ties/Facts of Life/Knight Rider*?"

"If only it had bigger shoulder pads..."

If you've ever uttered one or more of these phrases, you should join The Middle on Thursday, April 21, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the home of Kelly Hulse (2 Shady Lane, 35213). Mary Hanson will share some thoughts on how parenting changes as our children become adults.

Come casual (athleisure is the new business casual!), and please carpool if possible – parking is limited on Shady Lane! Please contact Janet Dozier (Janet@CathedralAdvent.com, 205-226-3503) to let us know you are coming. Questions? Contact Leslie Housman (Leslie@CathedralAdvent.com, 205-226-3511).

Women's Luncheon with Sheryl Shaw April 28

Take a break from your busy day and come for lunch Thursday, April 28, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Clingman Commons. Our speaker will be Sheryl Shaw, North American Director of Global Teams Ministries. She will give a teaching entitled *A Bigger Table*, helping us envision outreach as a natural outpouring of our lives as believers in and followers of Christ. A nursery will be provided. Please register at AdventBirmingham.org/Women or sign up with Janet Dozier (Janet@CathedralAdvent.com, 205-226-3503).

Youth Ministry

Jr. High: RYM Retreat Coming this Summer

All rising 7th-9th graders are invited to the Junior High youth group trip to the annual RYM retreat, set for June 27-July 1 at the Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, Florida. It's always a great time of fellowship, growth, and fun. Contact Tucker Fleming (Tucker@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information about the trip and how to sign up.

Sr. High: Summer Trip Set for June 19-22

Senior High youth will travel to Waynesville, North Carolina, for a summer mountain get-away Sunday-Wednesday, June 19-22. We will swim, hike, rest, and taste the goodness of being with God in Christian fellowship. Students will not want to miss this! Lucy Kate Green will email a registration link each week. Contact Lucy Kate (LucyKate@CathedralAdvent.com) for details.

Young Adults' Ministry

Last Call for Young Adults' Retreat, Set for April 22-24

All young adults are invited to join us for our first-ever Advent Young Adults' Retreat Friday-Sunday, April 22-24, in Monteagle, Tennessee. Come enjoy a weekend of rest, fellowship, and talks from Ben DeHart, the Advent's Canon for Parish Life. Cost is only \$20! Register at AdventBirmingham.org/YoungAdults. Questions? Contact Rebecca Lankford (Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com).

Interested in Adult Confirmation?

Glenda Curry, Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, will be with us for Confirmation on Sunday, May 8. She will witness the Confirmation of our 6th-grade confirmands during the 9:00 a.m. service and several adults during the 11:00 a.m. service. Confirmation is the formal way of joining the church and is usually offered once a year. Adults who have attended the Inquirers' Class are invited to participate in this Confirmation service. If you are interested, please contact Fontaine Pope (Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com, 205-443-8562) before Monday, April 25.

Communications Reminder

Please be wary of odd-sounding emails from one of the clergy or staff, vaguely asking you for assistance, that you would email them discreetly, that they have lost something while traveling, etc. These are email scams! If there is any doubt, rather than replying to the email, feel free to call the Church Office for information (205-251-2324).



education

Children's Sunday School

Bibles to Be Presented to 2nd Graders April 24

The Advent will present Bibles to our 2nd grade students Sunday, April 24, at 10:15 a.m. in the Nave. Children will receive the Adventure Bible (NIV), which is the Bible we recommend for 2nd-9th grades. We encourage parents to read this Bible with their children until they are ready to navigate, read, and comprehend it independently. We hope your family can attend this special event. Please confirm your attendance with Gunter Owens (Gunter@CathedralAdvent.com).

Youth Ministry

Senior Night Is May 2

If you are a parent of a senior in high school, be on the lookout by mail and email for information regarding Senior Night. It will happen Monday, May 2, at 2504 Watkins Road, 35223. RSVP through a Constant Contact link sent out by Lucy Kate Green, or contact Lucy Kate (LucyKate@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information.

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The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Bishop of Alabama

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The Rev. Dr. Michael Weeks, Assisting Clergy

The Rev. Canon Katherine P. Jacob, Deacon

The Rev. Wes Sharp, Clergy Associate

The Rev. Canon Ben DeHart, Canon for Parish Life

transitions:

Births: Franklin House Thompson, Jr., son of Frank and Marla, on March 18; John Grady Barbour, son of Matt and Lauren, on April 1

memorials:

Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

Victor Henry Hanson, II: (Cathedral Choir Fund) by Nancy and Ricky Bromberg

Dr. Charlie Baker: (Cathedral Choir Fund) by Dr. and Mrs. Joe B. LaRussa

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calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Apr 17 Easter Day Holy Communion at 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. - Nave	18	19	20 Ageless Adventers Third Wednesday - Cranmer House - noon	21 Choral Evensong - Nave - 5:30 p.m. Women's Ministries "The Middle" - 2 Shady Lane - 7:00 p.m.	22 Young Adults' Retreat	23
Apr 24 Regular worship schedule Youth Dinners - Cranmer House - 6:16 and 7:17 p.m.	25	26	27	28 Women's Luncheon - Clingman Commons - 11:30 a.m.	29 Midday Music - Clingman Commons - 12:30 p.m.	30

Monday-Friday: AA – Coe Conference Room, noon

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.