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Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Week of April 21, 2019



## News & Events

### Sunday of the Resurrection: Happy Easter!

Easter is this Sunday, April 21, and we're excited to see you and your family and friends as we celebrate our risen savior Jesus! Our service schedule is at the bottom of this page; note that the early service starts at 7:00 a.m. (not 7:30), and the Refectory service will be held at 9:00 a.m. (not 11:00). Information on the Nursery and Children's Sunday School and Mite Boxes is at the bottom of this page and on page 2.

### May 4 Is Service Day

Adventers will gather on Saturday, May 4, at 9:30 a.m. to pick up trash in downtown Birmingham, visit our local ministry partners, pray for the city, and enjoy table fellowship in various restaurants. See page 2 for more information.

### Registration Opens April 22 for 2020 Israel Trip

Registration will begin Monday, April 22, for the Advent's trip to Israel, set for June 2-11, 2020. For sign-up information, visit [AdventBirmingham.org/Israel2020](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Israel2020). See page 2 for details.



## A Word from Canon Hicks

Loneliness. I've been thinking about it a lot lately. Perhaps it's because in recent months I have had many, many conversations with people in our church whose presenting struggles can be traced back to this more fundamental core – isolation, friendlessness.

Loneliness isn't really at all about social habits. The stats are in. Higher degrees of loneliness are reported in more densely populated metropolitan cities like, well, Birmingham. The antithesis of loneliness seems more about knowing and being known than it is about how many people you're regularly interacting with – relational quality over relational quantity. Socializing can actually press loneliness more deeply into us when those interactions are repeatedly superficial, when the true self is neither speaking nor being heard.

So now I'm going to say something risky. I'd venture to guess that our church is full of more lonely people than we'd dare admit. I think more of us are under a cloud

of what Henry David Thoreau calls "quiet desperation."

So where's the hope in all of this? There are no easy answers. Loneliness is complex, and its "solution" is the opposite of formulaic. Perhaps for some, this side of eternity, loneliness never gets completely cured. It's like a chronic disease or a deep scar, which even in its healed state sends pulses of pain through the nerves. But maybe just maybe loneliness can lose its sting when, first, we remember the hope we have in Christ (that by the power of the cross, one day the Triune Community will indeed permanently fill the void and remove the ache), and when, second, this remembrance is mediated through others who preach this hope to us. These two things – the gospel, and the relationships that preach it – come to us as we're broken enough to confess these burdens to one another. I have a daring confidence that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the very power that can create this kind of vulnerable community, against all odds. Let us pray it may be so among us.

- Zac

**Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.**

- Colossians 3:16

## This Sunday: April 21, 2019

### 7:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Preacher: Dean Pearson

### 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

*In the Nave.* Preacher: Dean Pearson

### 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion

*In the Refectory.* Preacher: Canon Schneider

### 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

*In the Nave.* Preacher: Dean Pearson

### 5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Preacher: Canon Schneider

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

Adult classes will not meet this Sunday, April 21. Classes will resume next Sunday, April 28.

### Lectionary:

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

Isaiah 65:17-25

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Acts 10:34-43

Luke 24:1-12

### Children's & Youth Education:

On Easter, children in 3K and 4K (as of September 1, 2018) will leave during the 9:00 a.m. service for Sunday School. Children in kindergarten and older will attend the entire 9:00 service; their classes will not meet. The Nursery will be available for ages 5 years and younger at the 7:00 a.m. service, 2 years and younger at the 9:00 a.m. services, 5 years and younger at the 11:00 a.m. service, and 5 years and younger at the 5:00 p.m. service.

*Sermon and class recordings are available at [AdventBirmingham.org](http://AdventBirmingham.org).*

*The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast live on WERC 960 AM, 105.5 FM, and [AdventBirmingham.org](http://AdventBirmingham.org).*



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## 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 service. Please try to find a flower with a sturdy stem. Florists' picks will be available for use as needed.

Children in 3K and 4K will remain in church for part of the 9:00 service. Following the Gospel reading, 3K and 4K children should meet Elizabeth Wilson at the door to the right of the pulpit. She will walk them to Clingan Commons to meet teachers who will take them to their Sunday School rooms. Please pick up your child at his/her classroom immediately following the 9:00 service so that our teachers can worship at the 11:00 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 Elizabeth Wilson ([Elizabeth@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Elizabeth@CathedralAdvent.com), 226-3547).

## Israel 2020: Registration Opens April 22 for Trip Next Year

We hope you will prayerfully consider joining Andrew Pearson, Mark Gignilliat, Craig Smalley, Gil Kracke, and others on a 10-day trip to Israel, June 2-11, 2020 (with an optional extension to Jordan through June 14).

Imagine Travel and Tours ([ITTWorld.com](http://ITTWorld.com)) will be coordinating our trip. Andrew has traveled with them in Israel before – they are a seasoned company that specializes in tours of this sort. ITT will be handling all of our logistics, including airfare, hotels, local guides and transportation, many of our meals, entrance fees, pre-trip materials, and more.

Registration begins Monday, April 22. The tour has a 45-person maximum (including the leaders).

For more information about costs and registration, you may download a brochure at [AdventBirmingham.org/Israel2020](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Israel2020). Starting on April 22, the link to register online will be active, or you may download and print a paper registration form. If you have any other questions, please email or call Eva Beard ([Eva@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Eva@CathedralAdvent.com), 226-3510).

## Interested in Adult Confirmation?

Bishop Sloan will be with us for the confirmation of Advent youth at the 9:00 a.m. service and adults at the 11:00 a.m. Nave service on Sunday, May 5. Confirmation is the formal way of joining the church and is offered once a year. Adults interested in confirmation may contact Fontaine Pope ([Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com), 443-8562).



## serving & outreach

### Delivering Easter Lilies

#### Share Easter Joy with a Homebound Parishioner this Sunday



We need volunteers to deliver Easter lilies to our homebound parishioners on Easter Day, April 21. The lilies and easy-to-follow directions can be picked up following the 11:00 a.m. service on Easter, and then delivered *anytime* that day. You do not need to make your delivery immediately following the service!

Please help spread the good news of Easter to those who may not be able to attend Easter services. If you can volunteer or want more information, please contact Stella Schreiber (443-

8558, [Stella@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Stella@CathedralAdvent.com)).

### Service Day

#### Our Heart for the City: Service Day Is May 4

Join fellow Adventers on Saturday, May 4, 9:30 a.m.-noon to walk downtown Birmingham streets, pray for the city, and pick up bits and pieces of trash and debris that accumulate in our urban neighborhood. After our walk, we'll head to our local mission partner locations to pray for their ministries, before heading out as groups for table fellowship at various restaurants. This is a great way for families and small groups to get to know the Birmingham community and help the Advent live out its heart for the city! Register online at [AdventBirmingham.org/Mission](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Mission) by April 30.

### Tours of the Advent Nave

#### Bring a Friend for Tours Offered April 28

If you have ever tried to bring a friend to church and they just won't come on a Sunday morning, consider bringing them for a tour of our beautiful Nave on Sunday, April 28, between 12:30 and 3:00 p.m. Every 15 minutes, Adventers will lead tours that focus on the history, artistry, and meaning of the windows and architecture in the Nave and Chapel. We hope to draw non-Adventers who might be walking past our church on their way to the Magic City Art Connection in Linn Park that same day. Contact Brooke Fleming ([BrookeTFleming@gmail.com](mailto:BrookeTFleming@gmail.com)).

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

- Luke 24:1-12

(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



## making music

### Midday Music



#### Season Concludes April 26 with Music for Flute and Viola

Our 2018-2019 Midday Music series will conclude Friday, April 26, 12:30 p.m. in the Nave with a free, 30-minute recital by Glenn Egner, flute, and Lucina Horner, viola (*above*). Egner is the Principal Librarian of the Alabama Symphony Orchestra; prior to his return to the U.S., he was Principal Flutist of the Venezuelan Symphony Orchestra for 30 years. Horner has been a member of the Alabama Symphony since 1998. Their program will feature music by J. S. Bach, François Couperin, and others. You are cordially invited to this half-hour of chamber music performed by these distinguished local musicians.

### Concert Series

#### Nashville Choristers to Join Cathedral Choir for Hymn Festival May 4

The Cathedral Choir will join forces with the Choir of St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, for A Festival of Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs on Saturday, May 4, 3:00 p.m. in the Nave. Much more than a concert performance, a hymn festival is a celebration of the church's most beloved and powerful hymns, and everyone in attendance is encourage to participate. Featuring St. George's choir director Woo-sug Kang and organist Gerry Senechal, as well as the Advent's Frederick Teardo and Charles Kennedy, this promises to be an exciting event. Please come and be a part of this special Saturday musical offering!



## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Youth Ministry

#### High School Senior Night Is May 2

All Advent high school seniors are warmly invited to Senior Night on Thursday, May 2, 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). Join us for a celebratory dinner and a discussion on spiritual life in college. Email Rebecca Lankford ([Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com)) if you are interested in attending.



## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Young Adults' Ministry

#### Community Meal Set for April 24

If you are in your 20s or 30s, please join the Advent young adult community on Wednesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209) for dinner, fellowship, and a talk from Canon Schneider on *Life Now as an Eternal Person*. Find out more by contacting Mike Weeks ([Weeks@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Weeks@CathedralAdvent.com)).



## serving & outreach

### Lent



#### Thanks to Our Lenten Volunteers!

Thank you to all the loving volunteers who worked to prepare meals and provide warm hospitality throughout the Lenten season! Whether you cooked a meal, drove a shuttle bus, or helped out in another way, we thank God for your commitment to our community and your willingness to serve.

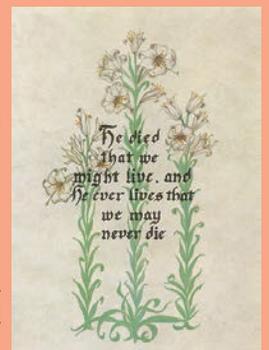


## bookstore

#### Alleluia!

The joy of the risen Lord be always with you.

Starting Monday, April 22, we return to our normal store hours: Sunday, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., and Monday-Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We will be closed Easter Day, April 21 Contact us: 323-2959, [Bookstore@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Bookstore@CathedralAdvent.com). Visit us any time: [AdventBirmingham.org/Bookstore](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Bookstore).



## 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. Deborah R. Leighton, Director of Women's Ministries and Clergy Associate

The Rev. Katherine P. Jacob, Deacon

The Rev. Michael Weeks, Assisting Clergy

## transitions:

**Birth:** Charles Clayton Bromberg, III, son of Clayton and Robin, on April 2

**Baptism:** Robert Woods Downing, son of Will and Lacey, on April 7

**Marriages:** Virginia Haynes Tracy and Charles Matthew White, on March 2; Sarah Brannon Ager and Joshua Ray Burkhart, on April 6

**Death:** Jim Houston Day, Sr., on April 6



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## memorials:

### Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

**Lyna Rogers:** (Music Discretionary Fund) by Mrs. Phil H. Neal, Jr.  
**John N. Corey, Jr.:** (Endowment Fund) by Leslie Hicks; Mr. and Mrs. John B. Elliott

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## calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Apr 21 Easter Day Holy Communion - Nave - 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion - Refectory - 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion - Nave - 5:00 p.m.	22	23	24 Young Adult Community Meal - Cranmer House - 6:30 p.m.	25 Sunrise Sinners - Refectory - 7:00 a.m. Praise Service - Nave - 8:30 a.m.	26 Midday Music - Nave - 12:30 p.m.	27
Apr 28 Regular worship schedule Cindy Funderburk Reception - Clingman Commons - noon Tours of the Nave - 12:30 p.m.	29	30	May 1	2 Sunrise Sinners - Refectory - 7:00 a.m. Praise Service - Nave - 8:30 a.m.	3	4 Service Day - Advent - 9:30 a.m. Concert Series: A Festival of Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs - Nave - 3:00 p.m.

Every Sunday (except April 21): Breakfast – Refectory, 8:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday: AA – Coe Conference Room, noon

We have more Bible studies, book studies, and groups of all kinds meeting than we can list on the calendar! Please join us in praising God for this blessing and visit [AdventBirmingham.org/BibleStudies](http://AdventBirmingham.org/BibleStudies) for a complete list of options available to you. If you have any questions, please contact Fontaine Pope ([Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com), 443-8562).