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## News & Events

### Youth and Adults to Be Confirmed this Sunday

Keen Sloan, Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama, will be with us for the confirmation of new parish members this Sunday, May 5. Sixth-grade confirmands will be confirmed during the 9:00 a.m. service; our adult class will be confirmed at 11:00 a.m. in the Nave.

Sixth graders and their sponsors should report to Clingman Commons at 8:15 a.m. There will be a reception for youth confirmands and their families in the Assembly Hall following the 9:00 service.

Adventers are invited to welcome Bishop Sloan and extend the hand of fellowship to our new members. A reception for the confirmands and Bishop Sloan will be held in Clingman Commons following the 11:00 service.

### Registration Open for Women's Retreat

Visit [AdventBirmingham.org/Retreat](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Retreat) to sign up for the annual Women's Retreat, set for Friday-Sunday, August 23-25 at Children's Harbor. Mary Willson will speak on "Who is a God Like You?" *Exulting With Micah in Our Matchless God.*

See page 2 for more information.



## A Word from Michael Weeks

Boldness is not something of which I am often accused. In fact, you could probably say that timidity is my middle name. In the words of the Enneagram, I am a peacemaker, the easygoing, self-effacing type: receptive, reassuring, agreeable, and complacent. I hate making a scene. I value comfort and always try to take the path of least resistance.

So when Paul says, "Since we have such a hope, we are very bold," I often doubt whether this is something that I could say, that boldness is something that I could possess. But this comes from the foolish notion I have that Paul's boldness comes from within, that he is bold because he is confident in himself. But as we look at the surrounding context of his statement, we learn that this is the exact opposite of what he is saying.

Throughout First and Second Corinthians, Paul explains time and again that his ministry is not based on his eloquence of speech or the praise of others. His confi-

dence doesn't come from his gifts or abilities but from God. The hope that Paul has comes from the knowledge that the God whom he serves brings life to the dead. His ministry is a life saving, resurrecting ministry powered by the Holy Spirit.

This hope produces boldness because sin and death are no longer a problem. They have been taken care of in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Because of this, we are no longer separated from God like the Israelites, who were separated from God by a veil in the temple and a veil that covered their hearts. But we are united to Christ and reconciled to God.

Therefore, we can boldly approach the throne of God, knowing that we are free from condemnation through Christ's blood, which was shed for us. We can relate to God personally and pray to him boldly, knowing that he hears us through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. We can be bold, because if God is for us, who can be against us?

- Mike

**Since we have such a hope, we are very bold.**

- 2 Corinthians 3:12

## This Sunday: May 5, 2019

### 7:30 a.m. Holy Communion

Preacher: Dean Pearson

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

Preacher: Bishop Sloan

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

In the Nave. Preacher: Bishop Sloan

### 11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

In the Refectory. Preacher: Cameron Cole

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

Preacher: Daniel McCarley

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

Adult classes will not meet this Sunday, May 5, due to Confirmation. Classes will resume next Sunday, May 12.

Children's & Youth Education:

Classes are offered for 3-years and older. See Sunday's service bulletin for details. The Nursery is open 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

At the Five O'Clock service, child-care is available for 4K and younger.

Lectionary:

Psalm 30

1 Corinthians 9:8-18

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

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

### Vacation Bible School

#### Early Bird Registration Deadline Is this Sunday

Register for VBS today! The early bird registration price of \$15 per child ends this Sunday, May 5. The fee goes up to \$25 per child on May 6, so please sign up now. Register at [AdventBirmingham.org/VBS](http://AdventBirmingham.org/VBS).

Roar VBS will happen Monday-Thursday, June 3-6, 9:00 a.m.-noon at the Advent. It is open to children who have just completed 3K-5th grade. For more information, contact Elizabeth Wilson (226-3547, [Elizabeth@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Elizabeth@CathedralAdvent.com)).



## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Women's Ministry

#### Women's Retreat at Children's Harbor August 23-25

Women of the Advent are invited to join their sisters in Christ for a time of rest and spiritual rejuvenation at our annual retreat, Friday-Sunday, August 23-25, at Children's Harbor. Our speaker will be Mary Willson, who will offer "Who Is a God Like You?" *Exulting with Micah in Our Matchless God*. Mary serves as director of women in ministry at Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee. She recently earned a Ph.D. in Old Testament from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, and loves opening up the Bible to apply it to the lives of women today.

Visit [AdventBirmingham.org/Retreat](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Retreat) to register. Contact Anita Gray with questions ([Anita@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Anita@CathedralAdvent.com)).

## Update on the Nave Lighting Project

We're excited to share that the lighting and wiring work in the Nave continues on schedule. Many individuals and teams are contributing to the project planning and logistical coordination necessary to make this happen. Work is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 3, with the project finished before school resumes in August. To do the work, scaffolding will occupy the entire half of the south side of the Nave for the first half of the summer, before being moved to occupy the entire north side. We will be able to gather in the Nave for our Sunday services throughout the summer, though there will be no access during the week, allowing the work to be done safely and well. In the next *Adventurer*, we'll include a link to a complete set of FAQs, along with a detailed project timeline. Please join us as we thank God for the blessing that is our downtown building!

## Death Notifications Available Via Email

Adventers interested in information regarding deaths within our community of faith can receive notices via email. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/2UMZkPF>.



## bookstore

### Bookstore to Take Summer Break, Reopen in August

The Advent Bookstore will be closed for most of the summer; Sunday, May 12, is the last day it will be open until reopening on Sunday, August 18. Stop by between now and May 12 for the "Sale Before the Summer," to see many of our items 50-percent or 75-percent off.

As you may have read, Cindy Funderburk is retiring as Manager of the store after many years of loyal service. We are delighted that Ann Campbell will succeed Cindy. Join us as we look forward to the store's refreshed opening later in August, under the faithful watch of our team of volunteers and Ann. See you in the store!



## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Youth Ministry

#### Sr. High "Luau" Family Dinner Is this Sunday

We hope all Sr. High youth can join us for our last Family Dinner of the season! We'll gather this Sunday, May 5, 6:57-8:15 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). The theme is "Luau," so come ready for a Hawaiian-style celebration. Contact Rebecca Lankford ([Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com)) to find out more.

### Ageless Adventers

#### Fellowship in the Pines May 6

All Adventers are invited to join our friends at St. Martin's for lunch and a word from Canon Smalley on Monday, May 6, at noon. Lunch is served in the private dining room of The Arbors at St. Martin's (4941 Montevallo Road, 35210). Find out more by contacting Stella Schreiber (443-8558, [Stella@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Stella@CathedralAdvent.com)).

#### Third Wednesday Finale Set for May 15

Ageless Adventers, our fellowship group for seniors, will gather for the last Third Wednesday program of the season on May 15, noon at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). Come for lunch, fellowship, and a gospel-centered word of encouragement. For more information, contact Stella Schreiber (443-8558, [Stella@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Stella@CathedralAdvent.com)).

(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

## Parish-Wide Prayer Meeting May 6

All parishioners are invited to a prayer gathering on Monday, May 6, 7:15 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). Typically held the first Monday of every 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."

We hope you can join us.

## Welcome!

Please welcome those who have joined the Advent during the last month. We are grateful to have them as a part of our parish family: Dianne Matheson; Rhett Owens; and Gunter Owens.

If you are interested in joining the Advent or finding out more, please contact Fontaine Pope (443-8562, [Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com)).

## Advent Episcopal School Students' Art on Display May 12

Join us in Clingman Commons the morning of Sunday, May 12, for an Art Show featuring works by Advent Episcopal School students. View their paintings, drawings, and other works of fine art and celebrate the creative spirit given to us all by our creative Creator. Works will be displayed in between all Sunday morning services, and representatives from the school will be on hand to share ADVENTure Camp ([AdventureCampBham.org](http://AdventureCampBham.org)) opportunities with interested families.



## spiritual growth & fellowship

### Men's Ministry

#### Mark Your Calendars: Men's Dinner May 22

All men of the Advent are invited to join us for a time of food and fellowship on Wednesday, May 22, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Dave Brown (2933 Montevallo Road, 35223). For parking and other information, contact Mike Weeks ([Weeks@CathedralAdvent.com](mailto:Weeks@CathedralAdvent.com)).

**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 226-3500.

**Advent House:** Intercessory prayer is on-going at Advent House. If you would like to schedule a prayer session, please call Kathy Logue at 410-4622.



## making music

### The Cathedral Choir

#### Spring Fundraiser to Support London Residency

It's that time! To support The Cathedral Choir's residency at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, in July 2020, the choir will be selling an assortment of cooked meats provided by Cater Up! – a catering company affiliated with Batter Up! Restaurant in Childersburg. Available for purchase are:

- Whole Smoked Turkey (12-14 pounds; feeds 10-12) – \$35
- Whole Smoked Boston Butt (8-10 pounds) – \$35
- Half Smoked Pit Ham (6-8 pounds; feeds 15-20) – \$40
- Half Pan of Homemade Chicken Dressing (cooked and cold; feeds 20-25) – \$35/pan

To place an order, please visit the choir's table in Clingman Commons after each of the morning services on Sunday, May 5, and Sunday May 12, or speak to a choir member. Please consider purchasing an item for donation and delivery to a local charity. The deadline for orders is Sunday, May 12, with pick-up on Thursday, May 23, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Advent. Any items not picked up on May 23 will be donated to local charities. Thank you for your support!

## memorials:

### Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

**William "Bill" Calvin Guin:** (Outreach) by Margaret White Head; Todd Beard; Ann and Craig Campbell

**Mary Elizabeth Hall:** (Pastoral Care) by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson

- (Outreach) by Gordon and Gibson Lanier

**Virginia Livezey Lile Beck:** (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Ann and Troy Haas

**John Norman Corey, Jr.:** (Endowment Fund) by the Elliott W. Hudgins, III, Family

**In Honor of Samuel E. Urmev:** (St. Cecilia Music Fund) by Jane Watwood Gibbs

**In Thanksgiving for the Weekly Service at Brookdale Assisted Living:** (Endowment Fund) by Elizabeth Doak Sherman



## bookstore

### Check Out Our "Sale Before the Summer"

Sunday, May 12, is the last day the store will be open before closing for most of the summer for vacation and inventory, reopening on Sunday, August 18. Come by for the "Sale Before the Summer," with many items 50-percent or 75-percent off.

Our normal store hours are Sunday, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., and Monday-Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 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:

**Births:** Eleanor "Nell" Richard Fuerniss, daughter of Jim and Caroline, on March 17; Lucile "Lucy" Mae Hill, daughter of Rudy and Ann, on April 11

## memorials:

### Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

**Max Lafayette Scroggins:** (Outreach) by Jane and Don Menendez

**Hubert Green:** (Endowment Fund) by Nancy McColloch

**Marilyn Lee Caldwell:** (Endowment Fund) by Stuart and Valerie Roberts

**Roxanne Raley:** (Music Discretionary Fund) by Nancy and Ricky Bromberg

**In Honor of Ann and Russ Chambliss:** (Endowment Fund) by their Small Group

**In Honor of the Tanner Family:** (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by Elizabeth and Charles Scribner



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## calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 5 Regular worship schedule Confirmation at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sr. High Youth Family Dinner - Cranmer House - 6:57 p.m.	6 Fellowship in the Pines - St. Martin's - noon Parish-Wide Prayer Meeting - Cranmer House - 7:15 p.m.	7	8	9 Sunrise Sinners - Refectory - 7:00 a.m. Praise Service - Nave - 8:30 a.m.	10	11
May 12 Regular worship schedule	13	14	15 Ageless Adventers Third Wednesday - Cranmer House - noon	16 Sunrise Sinners - Refectory - 7:00 a.m. Praise Service - Nave - 8:30 a.m.	17	18

Every Sunday: 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).