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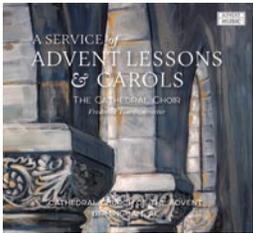
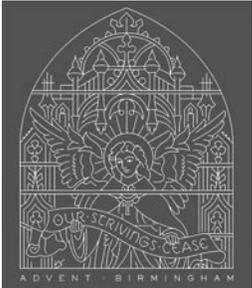
Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Week of November 18, 2018



News & Events

Cathedral Choir and Advent Birmingham Release New Albums



We praise God for the gifts and abilities of all our Advent musicians and celebrate the release of two new albums. *Our Strivings Cease* features artists from the Five O'Clock and Refectory services (known as Advent Birmingham), while *A Service of Advent Lessons & Carols* features the Cathedral Choir. Visit the album table in Clingman Commons the next two

Sundays, November 18 and 25, for purchase information.

New Member Recognition this Sunday

The 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services this Sunday, November 18, will feature introductions of new members to the Advent community. It's exciting to see how God continues to draw people to this faithful family, and we look forward to celebrating with you.



time of prayer together. As I hugged him goodbye, he pulled away and looked me in the eyes and said, "I'll see you in heaven." He knew it was the last time I would see him on earth and that we would, because of Jesus, see one another in heaven. He said it with such feeling and conviction that his words have been with me all week.

It was that conviction, that he was saved by the Lord Jesus and reconciled to God, that allowed him to die well, and he is now with his heavenly Father. Though it is sad that he has died, I do not think his funeral will be marked by sadness, but the joy of salvation. Most of the funerals from that side of the family tend to go that way.

All of this begs a lot of questions: How will we die? Do you approach death with uncertainty? Are you unsure of what will

"I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand."

- St. John 10:28

A Word from the Dean

On October 29 my uncle died. When I was back home I had the chance to go with my grandfather to visit him. Though he was weak, we laughed, told stories, and had a sweet

happen after you die? Are you putting your trust in Jesus? Are you assured of your salvation in him? Many might question whether Anglicans should really ask such questions, (it sounds Baptist), but don't these questions get to what matters most?

J.C. Ryle, 19th-century bishop of Liverpool, wrote: *Oh, that men would learn to live – as those who must one day die! Truly it is poor work to set our affections on a dying world and its short-lived comforts – and lose a glorious immortality! Here we are toiling, and laboring, and wearying ourselves about trifles, and running to and fro like ants upon a heap – and yet after a few years we shall all be gone, and another generation will fill our place!*

Live for eternity! Seek a portion which can never be taken from you!

Do you and I have the assurance that my uncle had? Do we have the assurance that the Bible promises for those who trust in Jesus? It is there for us to lay hold of that we might live this life to the fullest.

- Andrew

This Sunday: November 18, 2018

7:30 a.m. Holy Communion

Preacher: Dean Pearson

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

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11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

In the Nave. Preacher: Dean Pearson

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

In the Refectory. Preacher: Canon Smalley

5:00 p.m. Holy Communion

Preacher: Canon Schneider

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

The Dean's Class (Nave) – *The Word of God (God's Surgery on the Human Heart – Hebrews 4:12-13)* – Dean Pearson

Flannery O'Connor's Inexplicable Presence of Grace (Chapter Room) – "*Parker's Back*" and "*The River*" – Jim Palmer

Thoughts on Our Mortality (Living Room) – Gil Kracke

Faith and Family (Lower School Library) – *How the Parenthood of God Soothes the Insecurities and Anxieties of Parents* – Cameron Cole

Children's & Youth Education:

Classes are offered for 3-years and older. See Sunday's service leaflet for details. Nurseries are open 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. At the 5:00 service, childcare is available for 5-years and younger.

Lectionary:

Psalm 16
1 Samuel 1:4-20 or Daniel 12:1-3
Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25
St. Mark 13:1-8

Sermon and class recordings are available at AdventBirmingham.org.

The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast live on WERC 960 AM, 105.5 FM, and AdventBirmingham.org.



GET INVOLVED! SEE WHAT'S GOING ON!



worship

Thanksgiving

Holy Communion Service November 22

Our annual Thanksgiving Day service of Holy Communion will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 22. Canon Hicks will preach. The nursery will be closed.

The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23. The Advent Bookstore will be closed Wednesday-Friday, November 21-23.



spiritual growth & fellowship

Youth Ministry

Sr. High: "BBQ Taste-Off" Family Dinner this Sunday

All Sr. High youth are invited to the next Family Dinner this Sunday, November 18, 6:57-8:15 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). The theme is "Hunt or Be Hunted," so come dressed in your best hunting gear or as an animal. Dinner will feature our famous BBQ Taste-Off, after which we'll vote on who has the best BBQ in town. Golden Rule? Full Moon? Miss Myra's? A wild card? Join us as Saw's defends last year's title. Questions? Contact Rebecca Lankford (Lankford@CathedralAdvent.com).

Advent Bowl Set for November 25

The Advent Bowl, our 12th annual two-hand touch football tournament, will happen on Sunday, November 25, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Mountain Brook High School (3650 Bethune Drive, 35223). All Jr. and Sr. High youth are welcome and encouraged to come out and play!

Jr. High: Registration Open for RYM Trip June 24-28

Sign up at AdventBirmingham.org/Youth for our new Jr. High youth trip. We will go to the Reformed Youth Ministries conference in Panama City Beach, Florida, June 24-28. This week is full of incredible speakers, spiritual growth, team games, beach time, and loads of fun. The cost is \$535 per student. We have scholarships available for any families who need it – please don't hesitate to ask us about them. Registration closes January 1, so sign up today. Contact Rachel Cain (Rachel@CathedralAdvent.com) for more information.

Season of Advent

Make an Advent Wreath November 29

All are welcome and invited to join a fun evening making wreaths for the Advent season. We'll gather on Thursday, November 29, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Cranmer House (2814 Linden Avenue, 35209). Register and purchase your wreath kits or candles today online at conta.cc/2FbFytT. Contact Elizabeth Wilson (Elizabeth@CathedralAdvent.com, 226-3547) for more information.



education

The Forum

This Sunday: Responding to Objections to the Christian Faith

If there are topics about Christianity that leave you perplexed or if you find yourself not knowing how to respond to challenges people raise for you about your faith, join us for the Forum this Sunday, November 18, 6:15 p.m. in Clingman Commons, following the Five O'Clock Service. Canon Schneider (*right*) will lead a discussion on responding to common objections to the Christian faith.



The Forum is a monthly discussion-based Christian education program. It is also a good occasion to invite visitors to the church. Dinner is provided, and children are welcome. For more information, contact Anita Gray (Anita@CathedralAdvent.com, 443-8550).

Book Group

Group Reading Faulkner's *As I Lay Dying*

The Advent Book Group will meet to discuss William Faulkner's *As I Lay Dying* (available through the Advent Bookstore) on Wednesday, November 28, at 7:00 p.m. New participants are always welcome. For more information, contact James Bradford (873-5855, JBradford@Balch.com).

And as (Jesus) came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains."

- St. Mark 13:1-8

Women's Ministry

Save the date: The annual Christmas Bazaar with the women of St. Luke's and St. Mary's will be Monday, December 3, 11:00 a.m. at St. Luke's (3736 Montrose Road, 35213).

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



servicing & outreach

Lenten Lunches

Lunch Tickets on Sale Starting November 25

As Christmas approaches, don't forget to look ahead by getting the perfect stocking-stuffer for the Lenten Lunches fan! Stop by the Lenten Lunches table in Clingman Commons on Sundays, November 25, December 2, and December 9, to buy single tickets, various season passes, and sponsorships, as well as to meet members of the 2019 Lenten Lunches team.



making music

Concert Series



Above: On November 2, Frederick Teardo presented a varied and beautifully performed organ recital as the first event of the 2018-2019 Cathedral Concert Series. The Advent's Director of Music and Organist, Dr. Teardo performed music by composers ranging from J.S. Bach to Max Reger, fully utilizing the sound palette of the 100-rank Grieb-Williams organ. Dr. Teardo also provided information and insight about the pieces and composers, such as drawing connections between César Franck's *Prière*, Op. 20 (title translates as "prayer") and Psalm 22.

Please join us for our next Concert Series event on Thursday, January 10, at 7:30 p.m., when multiple award-winning organist Michael Unger will play a free recital.

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.

Coat Drive



Collection Moving to December this Year

This year we're switching things up a bit! In the past we've held our Coat Drive in January, but it gets chilly long before then. We'll be partnering with Brother Bryan Mission and the Firehouse Shelter to provide warm coats to the men in their programs.

Bring your gently used and new coats to Clingman Commons on Sunday, December 9. Although this year we are looking specifically for men's coats, we are happy to find homes for women's or children's coats, as well. Contact Bethany Rushing (Bethany@CathedralAdvent.com) with any questions.



bookstore



Working Together Brings Joy to Others

Pilgrim Imports originated more than 25 years ago in a village outside of Chiang Mai, Thailand. Three decades ago this was a chronically poor village, and close-knit families were forced to separate just to survive. Today more than 400 neighbors work together to produce the art pieces shown. These Thai people are proud to preserve their village traditions and happy to be close to one another. They appreciate the work that sustains their way of life and are pleased to learn that others enjoy the products they create.

Extra hours heading into Christmas: To help with your extra needs, the store will also be open on Thursday and Friday through December 21 (excluding Thanksgiving week) from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Regular store hours are Sunday, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., and Monday-Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We will be closed Wednesday-Friday, November 21-23, for Thanksgiving. Contact us: 323-2959, Bookstore@CathedralAdvent.com. Visit us any time: AdventBirmingham.org/Bookstore.

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transitions:

Baptisms: Meta Heyward Armitage, daughter of Thom and Marguerite; Greer Josephine Clapp, daughter of Brandon and LeeAshford; Charlotte Liles Doody, daughter of Cameron and Hannon; Calvin Hughes Goodman, son of John and Sadie; Grady Frances Starnes, daughter of William and Stefanie; Crisler Ragsdale Yearout, daughter of Christopher and Haley; Virginia Lee Van Hauen, daughter of Daniel and Sara; all on November 4



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calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 18 Regular worship schedule New Member Recognition The Forum - Clingman - 6:15 p.m. Sr. High Family Dinner - Cranmer House - 6:57 p.m.	19	20	21 Bookstore closed	22 Thanksgiving Day Church Office and Bookstore closed Holy Communion - Nave - 10:00 a.m.	23 Church Office and Bookstore closed	24
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Every Sunday: Breakfast – Refectory, 8:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday (No meeting November 22 and 23): 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 for a complete list of options available to you. If you have any questions, please contact Fontaine Pope (Fontaine@CathedralAdvent.com, 443-8562).